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Rose, A.	676	22
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Rowden, L.	674	22
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Asylum-road, Peckham	670	22
Athelstane-terrace, Stroud Green-lane, Islington	52	25
Atlantic-terrace, Cold Harbour-lane	675	22
Auckland-street, Lambeth	674	22
Baker-street, St. Marylebone 250-39,	678	22
Balls Pond-road, Islington	672 & 3	22
Barnet-street, Hackney-road 52-25,	274	27
Barnsbury-road, Islington.	673	22
Bates'-terrace, Wandsworth-road	680	22
Belsize-road, Hampstead	681	22
Bentley-place, Dalston, Hackney	191	15
Bereford-square, Woolwich	250	39
Bereford-street, Woolwich.	407	40
Bermondsey-street	670	22
Berner's-street, Saint Marylebone	678	22
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Blackfriars-road, Saint Saviour's, Southwark 113-13,	679	22
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Blackman-street, Borough.	676	22
Blackman-street, Southwark	677	22
Bleeding Heart-yard, Holborn	672	22
Blenheim-terrace, Bond-street, Chelsea	39	20
Blundell-street, Caledonian-road	673	22
Bonners-lane, Bethnal Green	670	22
Borough	679	22
Boston-street, Dorset-square, St. Marylebone	274	27
Boundary-road, Saint John's Wood	672	22
Bowman's-place, Holloway-road	673	22
Branksome-terrace, Acre-lane, Brixton	52	25
Brewer-street, Golden-square, Saint James's, Westminster	677	22
Bridge Field	680	22
Bridge-road, Battersea	680	22
Bridge-terrace, Harrow-road	676	22
Bridport-place, Hoxton	39	20
Bright's-buildings, South-street, Wandsworth	191	15
Brighton-place, Brixton-road, Gipsy-hill.	675	22
Brill-row, Somer's Town, St. Pancras	678 & 79	22
Brittania-place, Walham-green.	671	22
Britten-terrace, King's-road, Chelsea	671	22
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Brook Green-terrace, Hammersmith-road	671	22
Brookfield-terrace, York-road, Highgate	679	22
Brownlow-street, Dalston, Shoreditch	680	22
Bruton-street, Berkeley-square.	677	22
Bute-street, Old Brompton	674	22
Caledonian-road, Islington	672 & 73	22
Camberwell-green	670	22
Camberwell New-road, Lambeth	674	22
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Cambridge-terrace, Cornwall-road, Kensington	674	22
Cambridge-terrace, Peckham	670	22
Camden-road, Saint Pancras	679	22
Camera-street, King's-road, Chelsea	671	22
Canal-road, Mile End, Old Town	675	22
Canal-road, Shoreditch	680	22
Carlton-street, Regent-street, Middlesex	678	22
Castle-road, Kentish Town	678	22
Castle-street, Leicester-square	250	39
Castle-street East, Oxford-street	678	22
Catherine-place, Commercial-road, Camberwell 191-15,	670	22
Cedars-row, Lavender-hill, Wandsworth	680	22
Celbridge-road, Westbourne-park	676	22
Central-street, Saint Luke's, Middlesex 297-29,	678	22
Ceylon-terrace, Wandsworth-road	680	22
Chalk Farm-road, Saint Pancras	679	22
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Chapel-street, Belgrave-square	677	22
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Chapel-street, Woolwich	681	22
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Claremont-place, North Brixton	675	22
Clarence-road, Lower Clapton	637	22
Clarence-terrace, Seven Sister's-road	673	22
Clarendon-road, Kensington	674	22
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Cleveland-street, Saint Marylebone	678	22
Clifford-terrace, Maple-road, Penge	675	22
Clifton-road, Maida Vale	676	22
Cobourg-road, Old Kent-road	670	22
Coburg-street, Clerkenwell	191	15
Colet-place, Commercial-road, East	677	22
College-street, Chelsea	670	22
Collingwood-terrace, Plough-lane, Battersea	680	22
Commercial-road, Lower-road, Rotherhithe	677	22
Commercial-street, Spitalfields	680	22
Commerce-place, North Brixton	674	22
Compton-street, Brunswick-square	679	22
Compton-street, Clerkenwell	671	22
Conduit-street, Bond-street	677	22
Coningham-terrace, Uxbridge-road, Fulham	671	22
Copenhagen-street, Islington	673	22
Cornwall-road, Brixton-hill	675	22
Cottenham-road, Upper Holloway	673	22
Cotton-row, Marlborough-road, Dalston	679	22
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Cross-street, Islington	672	22
Crown-terrace, Upper Holloway	673	22
Crown-street, Finsbury	680	22
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Culford-road, Islington	366	40
Dame-street, Islington	564	40
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Desborough-place, Harrow-road	676	22
Dorcas-terrace, Hammersmith-road	671	22
Drury-lane, Saint Giles	677	22
Duke-street, Manchester-square	678	22
Duke-street, Saint James's, Westminster	478	55
Dulwich-road, Penge	675	22
Duncan-place, Hackney	366	40
Durham-place West, Seven Sisters-road	673	22
Durham-road, Seven Sisters-road	673	22
East India Dock-road, Limehouse	675	22
East-road, City-road	680	22
East-road, Hoxton	15	20
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Granville-terrace, Lewisham	675	22
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Great Dover-street, Newington.	676	22
Great James-street, Lisson Grove	678	22
Great Portland-street, Saint Marylebone	250	39
Great Quebec-street, Marylebone	678	22
Great Russell-street, Saint Giles	15	20
Great Suffolk-street, Southwark	677	22
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Harleyford-road, Vauxhall	674	22
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Kirk Dale, Upper Sydenham	675	22
Lamb's Conduit-street, Holborn	672	22
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Lancaster-Gate, Hyde-park, Paddington	676	22
Larkhall-lane, Clapham	680	22
Leather-lane, Holborn	672	22
Ledbury-road, Kensington	674	22
Lee-bridge, Lewisham	675	22
Leighton-road, Kentish-town	679	22
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Lisle-street, Leicester-square	680	22
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Market-place, Junction-road, Islington	673	22
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Marlborough-terrace, Upper Holloway	673	22
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Mellish's-wharf, Millwall, Poplar	677	22
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Middleton-road, Kingsland	672	22
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No. 1.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **January**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Philip Hemery LeBreton, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.

1. Previously to the Minutes of the 23rd December last being signed, Mr. Roche called attention to the third paragraph of the Minutes of the first meeting of the Board on that day, from which it appeared, that a Report had been brought up from the Works and General Purposes Committee, with reference to the accident to the air chamber at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station; and he stated that, from the tenor of the circular requesting his attendance, he understood that the meeting held previous to the assembling of the Board on that day, was a conference to which all the Members of the Board had been invited, and not a meeting of the Committee convened in the usual manner, and he suggested that the Report in question should be described as a Report agreed to at a conference to which all the Members of the Board were summoned instead of a Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, and that the entry of the Minute should be altered.

The suggestion having been assented to, the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 23rd December last were altered accordingly, and were subsequently signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings.

2. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Finance Committee.

Spring Gardens, 4th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors and other persons of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums mentioned therein, amounting to £6,459 4s. be paid.

Your Committee have further to report that a communication has been received from Her Majesty's Treasury, intimating that the charges due on the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, on the 1st instant, amounted to £60,831 0s. 6d.; that the present available balance of the Fund only amounts to £45,162 0s. 4d., and requesting that the deficiency required to meet such charges, viz., £15,669 0s. 2d., may be at once paid to the credit of that Account; and, having regard to the necessity for the prompt payment of the claims on such fund, your Committee recommend—

That the sum of £15,669 0s. 2d. be advanced as a temporary loan from the Mansion House Street Account to the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund Account, and that a cheque for the same be drawn and paid to the credit of such Account at the Bank of England.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
PHILLIPS, TURNER, & SAWER, Contractors—		
(3460) Balance of Bill for Contract and Extras, Bermondsey Street, Tooley Street, Newington Causeway, &c., Sewers—No. 70	1,655 3 4	
PEARSON, T., Contractor—		
(3461) Further on account of Sewer, Belvedere Road—Contract No. 122 ..	1,244 0 0	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(3462) Further on account of Sewer, Plough Road, &c. Contract No. 133 ..	360 0 0	
PINCHIN, JOHNSON, & Co.—		
(3463) Oil, Tallow, &c., supplied to Pumping Stations—Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869—		
Crossness £84 3 0		
Abbey Mills 18 1 1		
Deptford 3 4 2		
Cremorne 16 4 10		
———	121 13 1	
SILVER, S. W., & Co.—		
(3464) Waterproof Clothing, supplied December, 1869	3 17 9	
WILLIAMSON, P. A.—		
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MCDOUGALL, J., Surveyor—		
(3466) Travelling Expenses for self and men, October, 1869	2 5 4	
HANCOCK, J. L.—		
(3467) India-rubber Tubing supplied at Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster, November, 1869	2 15 0	
COURROUX, A. F., Collector—		
(3468) House and Income Tax for Office—one Year, to 5th April, 1870 ..	81 13 4	
LONDON ASSURANCE—		
(3469) One Year's Insurance of Office, due Christmas, 1869	9 0 0	
BANK OF ENGLAND—		
(3470) Difference in Interest, due 1st January, 1870	10 0 0	
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE, &c.—		
(3471) Smith, J. £17 7 6		
(3472) Eustace, E.. .. .. .. 24 2 0		
——— 41 9 6		
(3473) Head, W. B. 17 5 5		
———	58 14 11	
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
(3474) Weekly Wages—		
Week ending 15th December, 1869.. £282 9 3		
,, 22nd ,, ,, .. 279 9 1		
,, 29th ,, ,, .. 287 7 8		
£849 6 0		
Less Cheque drawn 17th December, 1869 500 0 0		
——— 349 6 0		
Rates and Taxes, for Gas-meter Testing-houses .. 7 2 11		
Insurances—		
For Office, Spring Gardens .. £1 10 0		
,, Sluicehouses.. .. .. 1 5 6		
——— 2 15 6		
Petty Cash Payments—14th December, 1869, to 3rd January, 1870 .. .. 83 0 2		
———	442 4 7	
	———	4,021 8 11
Carried forward ..		£4,021 8 11

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	..	1,021 8 11
FINSBURY PARK.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(160)	Allowance for attendance of Band Boys of Parish of Shoreditch, at opening of Park	2 2 0	
	Allowance for attendance of Band of Stoke Newington Rifles, at opening of Park	5 0 0	
	Phillips, J.—Fair Copying, &c.—		
	February, 1869 .. .. £0 13 4		
	March ,, ... 0 1 7		
	September ,, ... 0 3 9		
		0 18 8	
			8 0 8
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.			
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE, &c.—			
(63)	Smith, J.	18 18 8	
(64)	Eustace, E.	9 9 10	
			28 8 6
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NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(204)	Bill for Works under Jobbing Contract—Sinking Well, April, 1869 ..	.. .	15 6 5
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RILEY BROTHERS—			
(2290)	Cowls for Chimneys at Shoreditch Station, October and Nov., 1869 ..	4 17 0	
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(2291)	Bill for Delivery-hose, supplied November and December, 1869 ..	5 16 8	
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(2292)	Weekly Wages (Draughtsmen)—		
	Three Weeks to 29th December, 1869 .. .. 7 10 0		
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	Week ending 18th December, 1869 .. £514 2 6		
	,, 25th ,, ... 512 5 6		
	,, 1st January, 1870 .. 511 19 0		
	1,538 7 0		
	Rent of Lodgings for Firemen—December, 1869 .. 114 2 0		
	Amount paid to G. Low, on leaving the Service as per Order of Board, 12th November, 1869 .. .. 10 0 0		
	Funeral Expenses of W. Bishop, as per Order of Board 5th October, 1866 .. .. 5 0 0		
	Superannuation Fund—Amounts returned to Firemen leaving the Service 79 16 6		
	Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Three Weeks to 1st January, 1870 .. .. 4 13 0		
	Sundry small Bills, for repairs 2 19 6		
	Rates, Taxes, Insurance, and Gas, for sundry Stations 63 1 2		
	Collector's Poundage—On Rates collected, Lincoln's Inn 1 11 6		
		1,827 0 8	
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2293)	Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations .. £6 9 4		
	Rates, Taxes, and Insurances for sundry Stations .. 49 5 9		
	Expenses of Summonses, &c., in recovery of Chimney-fire Penalties, 22nd November to 23rd December, 1869 36 5 8		
		92 0 9	
			1,929 15 1
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(591)	Weekly Wages—Three Weeks to 29th December, 1869 .. .	.. .	9 0
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2447)	Weekly Wages—		
	Week ending 15th December, 1869	30 16 0	
	,, 22nd ,, ...	33 12 0	
	,, 29th ,, ...	33 12 0	
			98 0 0
	Carried forward ..		£6,111 8 7

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	..	6,111 8 7
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
FOSTER, C. N., Contractor—			
(1460) Further on account of York Gate Landing Stairs, and Steps by Westminster Steamboat Pier		263 13 0	
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(1461) Weekly Wages—			
Week ending 15th December, 1869 ..	£16 9 0		
,, 22nd ,, ...	17 14 0		
,, 29th ,, ...	18 8 0		
		52 11 0	
			316 4 0
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2233) Weekly Wages—Three Weeks to 29th December, 1869		..	9 9 0
MANSION HOUSE STREET.			
COMMISSIONERS OF SEWERS OF THE CITY OF LONDON—			
(2190) Shoring and Hoarding for No. 26, Bucklersbury		4 7 1	
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2191) Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 29th December, 1869	£14 12 0		
Taxed Costs, *re* Dimsdale	4 3 4		
		18 15 4	
			23 2 5
	TOTAL ..	..	£6,459 4 0

Certified,
(*Signed*) , ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
CHAS. HARRIS,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £6,459 4s. 0d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £15,669 0s. 2d. be advanced as a temporary loan from the Mansion House Street Account to the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund Account, and that a Cheque for the same be drawn and paid to the credit of such Account at the Bank of England, and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

3. Mr. Runtz, in the absence of Mr. Collinson, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 3rd January, 1870.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the letter, referred by the Board on the 3rd ultimo (No. 70), from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, adverting to the terms of the resolution of the 5th November last by which the Board decided to delay payment of their contribution towards the further widening of Fenchurch-street, until the amount of recoupment from the sale of the surplus land should have been actually realised by the Commissioners; and asking the Board to re-consider their decision. It is represented that the Commissioners have purchased, and long since paid for, the property; that the ground rendered vacant may remain so for some considerable time before it can be let for building leases, and that, when so let, at least a year must expire for the erection of the buildings before the leases would be executed, and, after that, some time before the ground rents could be sold. Under these circumstances, the Commissioners express a hope that the Board will

see the loss and inconvenience which will be sustained by the delay, for an indefinite period, of the payment of the sum which they have agreed to contribute to the cost of the improvement, and they submit that if the Board will direct the payment to the Commissioners of the sum voted, on their Architect's certificate of the completion of the work, the Commissioners will, if the ground ultimately produce more than it has been valued at, return to the Board the proportionate difference, and they will ask the Board to increase the sum voted in like proportion if, on the sale of the ground, it should ultimately produce less. In their report of the 5th November last, your Committee explained the reason which induced them to add to their recommendation a provision that the amount of recoupment actually realised should be ascertained before the Board's contribution were paid. This reason was, it will be remembered, that, having regard to the valuable character of property in the locality, it did not appear that sufficient allowance had been made for the probable amount of recoupment. On this point, your Committee still entertain the same opinion; but, although they are not prepared to recommend an absolute compliance with the propositions submitted by the Commissioners, they think, nevertheless, that some modification should be made in the Board's resolution with a view of relieving the Commissioners from their difficulty. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

> That the Commissioners of Sewers be informed, in reply to their letter, that, in order to obviate the difficulty mentioned by them, the Board are prepared to pay the amount of the contribution on a certificate by their Architect of the completion of the work, provided that, if the recoupment shall exceed the sum estimated, the amount of such excess shall be repaid to the Board.

In compliance with your resolution of the 26th November last (No. 58), your Committee have considered a letter from Mr. R. B. Grantham, Chairman of the Committee of the British Association, enclosing a printed copy of a circular which the Association are about to circulate on the treatment and utilization of sewage, and requesting the Board to co-operate with them in an investigation as to the uses, &c. of sewage. Your Committee are of opinion that the Board should offer every assistance in their power to investigations into the nature and properties of sewage, with a view to its utilization, and they, therefore, recommend—

> That a communication be addressed to the Committee of the Association to the effect that the Board will be happy to afford them every possible facility for making experiments with the Metropolitan sewage.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums, for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress.

Kensington Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Hillman and Wall—		
Weall, W.—Taxed Costs of Petition		32 9 6
Stingo Lane Improvement.		
Re Queen Charlotte's Hospital—		
Walker and Martineau—Taxed Costs of Petition for Investment ..	44 13 0	
Re Dunn—		
Meyrick, Gedge, and Loaden—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	27 0 0	
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—		
Stamp Duty on Assignments—		
Re Levinson £13 10 0		
,, Gosden 10 0 0		
	23 10 0	
Re Rowley—		
Davies and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	14 0 0	
Re Wilkinson—		
Lambert and Burgin—Costs of Title and Conveyance	14 0 0	
Re Wright—		
Wright, Mrs. C.—Purchase-money, Leasehold, No. 16, Stingo Lane ..	320 0 0	
		443 3 0
		£475 12 6

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered that portion of the Engineer's report, referred to them on the 17th ultimo (No. 34), relating to the formation of the approach roads to the Northern Embankment from Whitehall-place, Craven-street, Villiers-street, and Norfolk, Surrey, and Arundel-streets. Your Committee have received a tender from Mr. Webster, which they beg to submit, amounting to £9,926, for the formation of the approaches in macadam. This sum is considerably within the estimate of the Board's Engineer, and, moreover, the execution of the work by Mr. Webster would, your Committee think, be advantageous to the Board, as it will be recollected that the construction of the main roadway of the Embankment from Westminster to Blackfriars is in his hands, being included in the Contract No. 3 of the Embankment. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That Mr. Webster's offer to form the approach roads for the sum of £9,926 be accepted.

On the 14th May last your Committee brought up a Report to the Board, consequent on a reference on the 7th of that month (No. 21), approving of a suggestion for constructing a subway from the Westminster Steamboat-pier under the Embankment roadway, in continuation of the subway then being made under Bridge-street, Westminster, by the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., and the Board ordered that application should be made to the First Commissioner for his consent to the use by the public of his subway. In reply, the First Commissioner restricted the use by the public of this part of the subway to the period of the Session of Parliament, but as it appeared that he might be disposed to remove this restriction if gates were erected to prevent public access to Palace-yard and the Houses of Parliament, the Engineer was instructed by your Committee to ask the views of the First Commissioner on this subject. He has now replied that he will not object to the use by the public of the subway, reserving power to the Office of Works to close the access through it to New Palace-yard, should it be found necessary, and also subject to such regulations as they may from time to time think fit to prescribe, to prevent any improper use of the subway. These terms appear to your Committee satisfactory, and, the Board having already approved the principle of the subway from the steamboat pier under the embankment roadway, it seemed advisable that the work should be expediated as much as possible. Instructions were, therefore, given to the Engineer to ascertain from Mr. Webster the sum for which he would undertake to form the subway. Mr. Webster's tender, which your Committee beg to submit, amounts, for the continuation of the subway in No. 1 galt brick, to £1,886. Your Committee, having satisfied themselves by a conference with the Engineer that this is a reasonable and proper amount, recommend—

That the Tender be accepted.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. A. M. Rendel, on behalf of the Scottish Wharf Company, relative to the diversion of the portion of the Hermitage-street Main Sewer passing under the old approach to Hermitage-stairs, Wapping. The Scottish Wharf Company are constructing a new wharf and warehouse upon property which comprises the site of the old approach to Hermitage Stairs, which have been removed to the eastern end of the new premises. Under the old approach runs the Hermitage Street Main Sewer from which the drainage will be wholly diverted upon the completion of the works now in progress for carrying the new line of sewer under the Hermitage Lock entrance. The company, therefore, ask permission, as their works are rapidly advancing and will shortly be much interfered with by the old sewer, to remove the portion of it between the street and the river, they undertaking to make proper temporary provision for the drainage now passing through it, pending the completion of the new line of sewer referred to. Your Committee have ascertained from the Engineer that the amount of drainage taken by the old sewer is not large and that there is no objection to the Company's request being complied with. Your Committee, therefore, recommend.—

That the application be granted, on condition that the Company make proper temporary provision, at their sole cost, and under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the officers of the Board, for the drainage now passing through the sewer, pending the completion of the new line of sewer under the Hermitage Lock entrance.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of setting apart a portion of the ground cleared in carrying out the Kensington Improvement for the purpose of a Fire Brigade Station. It appears to your Committee that Plot 15 on the Plan, which is one of those still remaining unlet, is admirably adapted for this purpose, and they recommend that it be so appropriated.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. O. HALL,
C. H. ELT.

The Tenders by Mr. Webster, referred to in the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London be informed, in reply to their letter relative to the postponement of the payment of the Board's contribution towards the improvement in Fenchurch Street until the amount of recoupment from the sale of the surplus land is actually realised, that, in order to obviate the difficulty referred to by the Commissioners, the Board are prepared to pay the amount of the contribution on a certificate by their Superintending Architect of the completion of the work, provided that, if the recoupment shall exceed the sum estimated, the amount of such excess shall be repaid to the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That a communication be addressed to the Committee of the British Association, in reply to their letter relative to the treatment and utilization of Sewage, to the effect that the Board will be happy to afford them every possible facility for making experiments with the Metropolitan sewage.

It was **moved** by Mr. Runtz and seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the tender of Mr. Webster, for the formation in Macadam of the approaches to the Thames Embankment from Whitehall-place, Craven-street, Villiers-street, and Norfolk, Surrey, and Arundel-streets amounting to £9,926, be accepted.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Shaw—That the recommendation of the Works and General Purposes Committee, that the works for the making of roadway approaches from Whitehall-place, Craven, Villiers, Norfolk, Surrey, and Arundel-streets to the Thames Embankment, amounting to £9,926 be given to Mr. Webster without competition with any other parties, be not agreed to, but that the works be advertised in the usual way and submitted to public competition.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—5.

Brooker, J., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers.

Against the Amendment—26.

Barker, C. S., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L. Esq., Deputy.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	
Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Runtz.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Runtz, and seconded—That the tender of Mr. William Webster for the execution of the necessary works for the continuation of the Subway under the Westminster-bridge approach to the Westminster Steam Boat Pier, in No. 1 Galt Brick, amounting to £1,886, be accepted.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers and seconded—"That the tender of "Mr. William Webster for the works in continuation of the Subway under the Embankment "at Westminster-bridge be referred back to the Committee to further inquire into the necessity "for so large an outlay."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application of Mr. A. M. Rendel, on behalf of the Scottish Wharf Company, for permission to remove the portion of the Old Hermitage Street Main Sewer, between the street and the River Thames, be granted, on condition that they do, at their sole cost, and under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, make proper temporary provision for the drainage now passing through the sewer, pending the completion of the new line of sewer under the Hermitage Lock entrance.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the Plot numbered 15 on the Plan of the Kensington Improvement be appropriated for the purposes of a Fire Brigade Station.

4. Mr. Cook handed in a letter, which was read as follows—

Board of Works for the Poplar District,
291, East India Dock-road, E.
31st December, 1869.

DEAR SIR—At our last Board Meeting, in consequence of strong representations that had been made by the inhabitants of Poplar of the serious inconvenience and loss to which they had been subject through the recent inundation from the main and district sewers being overcharged, occasioned by the accident to the machinery at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station on the 22nd inst. and subsequently, I was directed to communicate with your Board on the subject, and to inquire whether, as the entire system of drainage is so manifestly for the benefit of the metropolis generally, any damage that may be sustained in the working of it (as is now unfortunately the case) should not be defrayed from the rates of the metropolitan area, and the parties sustaining injury in this locality compensated from that source.

I would only add this information is sought by my Board from the fact that the inhabitants (and perhaps very naturally) regard the District Board as the medium through which redress should be obtained for them, and their having so urged our taking action in the matter will, I trust, excuse my requesting the immediate consideration of your Board to the matter, though we should much regret in any manner being considered as prematurely or unnecessarily introducing the subject at a time when we are led to believe your Engineer has been, and is now, energetically engaged in endeavouring to remedy the evil at the earliest practical period.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) S. JEFFRIES BARTH, Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject, and that the Clerk do inform the Poplar District Board that the matters referred to in their letter are now under the consideration of a Committee of this Board, and that the parties complaining of damage have already been communicated with, with a view to an equitable adjustment of the matter.

5. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Third Class Fireman Thomas Colkitt has tendered his resignation, and they recommend—

That it be accepted and that the amount paid in by him to the Superannuation Fund be returned to him.

Your Committee have also to report that there are now three vacancies in the Brigade, and they recommend—

That Francis Wylde, Robert Waite, and Charles Dunman, be appointed in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the subject of the collection of subscriptions in the Metropolis by the Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire, and the form of receipt given for the same, to which the attention of the Board was called by Mr. Nicholay on the 3rd ultimo (No. 21.) Your Committee have received from the Society a statement of the objects to which their efforts are now directed, from which it appears that they are engaged in providing Fire Escapes in places beyond the limits of the Metropolitan Area, and Escapes have already been established by them in several Suburban and Country Districts. Another feature of the Society's operations is the bestowal of rewards on persons who distinguish themselves or risk their own lives in their endeavours to rescue other persons from fire. At the last public meeting of the Society 64 persons thus received rewards, several of them being men in the Metropolitan Fire Brigade. The Committee of the Society state that a circular is given to every subscriber, in which the fact of the transfer to the Board of the duty of protecting life from fire is clearly stated, and support is requested for the Society's present operations. Your Committee are of opinion that this explanation is satisfactory, but they have suggested to the Society that, in order to avoid the possibility of any erroneous impression as to the Society's objects, their receipts should state clearly that the money which they receive is devoted to the provision of Fire Escapes in places beyond the limits of the Metropolis, and to the bestowal of rewards on persons who distinguish themselves in saving life from fire.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
J. O. HALL,
JOHN SAVAGE,
E. J. THOMPSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignation of Third Class Fireman Thomas Colkitt be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That F. Wylde, R. Waite, and C. Dunman, be appointed Fourth Class Firemen in the Brigade.

6. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Report—

Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Chief Station, Watling-street. E.C.
London, January 1st, 1870.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring-gardens.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to present the following report of the London fires of 1869.

The total number of calls received during the year has been 1,784. Of these 120 were false alarms, 92 proved to be only chimney alarms, and 1,572 were calls for fires, of which 199 resulted in serious damage, and 1,373 in slight damage.

The fires of 1869, compared with those of 1868, show a decrease of 96, but compared with the average of the last ten years there is an increase of 230.

I append several classified tables with details of trades, causes, and other particulars.

These lists do not include trifling damage by fires which were not sufficiently important to require the attendance of firemen, neither do they include the ordinary calls for chimneys on fire.

The proportion of serious to slight losses in 1869, 199 to 1,373, is decidedly favourable.

The following table gives it both in actual numbers and per-centages, and shows that our success in reducing losses by fire has been greater in 1869 than in any previous year since the Brigade came into the hands of the Board.

Year.	Numbers.			Per-centages.		
	Serious.	Slight.	Total.	Serious.	Slight.	Total.
1866	326	1,012	1,338	25	75	100
1867	245	1,152	1,397	18	82	100
1868	235	1,433	1,668	14	86	100
1869	199	1,373	1,572	13	87	100

Our list of wounds and other injuries for 1869 is somewhat large, but so long as the men work with the same spirit and enterprise as at present no diminution of accidents can be expected.

There have been during the year 249 cases of ordinary illness, and 102 injuries, making a total of 351 cases, three of which terminated in death.

Particulars of the accidents are as follows, namely—

Nature of Accidents.	No. of Cases.
Burns and Scalds	6
Concussions	3
Contusions	45
Dislocations	1
Fracture of Limbs	2
Incised and Lacerated Wounds	23
Injuries to eyes, head, side, and arms	8
Rupture	1
Sprains	13
Total	102

During the year 1869, 3 men have died, 42 resigned, 12 were dismissed, and 15 broke down, making a total of 72, and these have been replaced by a corresponding number of men who have been thoroughly trained and instructed, and are now in an advanced state of efficiency.

The strength of the Brigade at present is as follows—

50 Fire Engine Stations.
91 Fire Escape Stations.
3 Floating Stations.
47 Telegraph Lines.
71 Miles of Telegraph Lines.
2 Floating Steam Fire Engines.
8 Large Land Steam Fire Engines.
17 Small Land Steam Fire Engines.
16 7-inch Manual Fire Engines.
56 6-inch Manual Fire Engines.
13 Under 6 inch Manual Fire Engines.
102 Fire Escapes.
378 Firemen.

The number of firemen employed on the several watches kept up throughout the metropolis is at present 103 by day, and 173 by night, making a total of 276 in every 24 hours; the remaining men, except those sick, injured, or on leave, are available for general work at fires.

The work for the past year has been as usual very heavy, but all ranks have exerted themselves with the utmost energy and good-will.

The condition of the Brigade with regard to discipline and general efficiency is perfectly satisfactory.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your obedient Servant,
(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW, Chief Officer M.F.B.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the said Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board and the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

7. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the Paper of Business for this day, be not taken into consideration until the Meeting of the Board on Friday next.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th January, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
LEWISHAM.				
Intended road, Clarendon-road, Lewisham	1,050	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
MILE END OLD TOWN.				
Stepney-green, White Horse-lane....	220	3′ 6″ × 2′ 6″	½ brick.	Recommended for approval, subject to the ground being suitable, and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
FULHAM.				
The United Land Company's Estates	About 570	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Strode-road, Fulham-fields	About 215	9 ,,	,,	
Albion-road, Nasmyth-street, and Furber-street, Hammersmith	About 1,398	12 ,,	Pipe.	Recommended for approval subject to the level of the outlet at the south end of Nasmyth-street, being as shown on section.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

9. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 5th January, 1870.

Monthly Report on the Progress of the Thames Embankment, Low Level Sewer, North, &c., Works.

NORTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Thames Embankment, Contract No. 3, between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge.—The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 497 feet, and the remaining length of 425 feet is constructed to an average height of 7½ feet above Trinity high water mark. The length of the Subway completed is 850 feet, and of the Sewer 794 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the intended new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage works on the foreshore of the river are all complete. The foundations for the subway from the river to the City Gas Company's works are laid, and the side walls are being constructed. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. A. Boag, C. Jannings, and J. Fortescue, at a total weekly cost of £8 15s.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer between the terminal point of this contract and the commencement of the part now being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company, in connection with their works from Saint Andrew's Hill, a length of 458 feet has been constructed. Between those two points, 459 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″) and 33 coal vaults have also been constructed. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. H. Bennett and C. Leggett, at a total weekly cost of £7 7s.

The approximate cost of the whole of the foregoing works executed by Mr. Webster is £79,206; of which the sum of £1,733 is due to the past month's progress.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway are actively progressing at various points between the Westminster Station and New Earl Street. From the former point, eastward, a total length of about 5,000 feet of the side walls are complete; 1,200 feet are constructed on one side only, and a further length of about 500 feet is in progress. Upon the completed walls 1,040 feet of the upper arches are turned, and the girders are fixed, and the arching is in progress for a further length of 1,680 feet. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, is employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple, and that proportion of his weekly pay of 4 guineas is, therefore, charged to the Company. From the latter point, eastward, the works

are under the charge of the Clerks of Works, superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract, and the portions of the Low Level Sewer with which they are connected; a fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will, therefore, be borne by the Company.

Low Level Sewer, between St. Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street.—The Railway Company have constructed a length of about 1,300 feet of 8′ 6″ sewer, in 4 rings of brickwork, at an estimated cost of £10,400. The Clerks of Works now employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (one half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the sewerage works at the Hermitage Entrance, Wapping) and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £4 18s.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill.—A total length of 3,627 feet of this section of the sewer, varying from 8′ 9″ to 8′ 6″ in diameter, in 4 rings of brickwork, has been completed, at an average depth of 55 feet below the surface of the road. The estimated cost of the works executed by Mr. Webster under this contract is £43,524; of which the sum of £5,256 is due to the past month's progress. The Clerks of Works now employed hereon are Messrs. J. Douglas, W. Jeffery, C. Taylor, H. Spencer, T. Spurgeon, R. Whillock, and K. Earnshaw, at a total weekly cost of £22 1s.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico.—Works are in progress by New and Old Palace Yards, Abingdon Street, Millbank, and Bessborough Street. The completed lengths are 3,730 feet of 7′ 9″, 1,290 feet of 6′ 9″, and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ sewer; the estimated cost of which, with the several minor works connected therewith, is £35,000; £4,500 representing the progress made by the Contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams, in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (three-fourths of his time), J. Wright, J. White, R. Tuck, and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £14 7s.

Whitechapel Improvement.—But little progress has been made with these works during the past month. The total length of Subway completed is about 700 feet, and of the Sewer 856 feet, thus leaving 440 feet of the former, and 350 feet of the latter yet to be constructed, in addition to several coal vaults, &c. The Contractors are now, however, making greater efforts to push on the works, they having completed fresh arrangements for the supply of the materials, and for the better conduct of the works. The approximate cost of the completed work is £3,916, the sum of £720 being due to the past month's progress. The Clerk of Works in charge is Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The total length of Sewer constructed by Mr. Nicholson, under this contract is 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 780 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of 4′ 0″ cast-iron pipe, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. The total estimated cost of these, and of the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £10,395, of which £475 represent the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this, and of the two following contracts, is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 4s.

Kennington Park Road.—The contractor, Mr. Crockett, has completed a length of 1,635 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ Sewer, and a further length of about 220 feet is in progress. The estimated cost of these, and of the several works in connection therewith, is £3,060, of which the sum of £574 represents the progress made during the past month. The principal Clerk of Works employed, hereon, is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. B. Butcher, and their weekly wages amount to £4 4s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver, the Contractors, have completed 630 feet of Sewer, 5′ 0″ × 3′ 4″, and have a further length of about 320 feet in progress. The estimated cost of these, and of the minor works in connection therewith, is £1,834; £966 representing the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. W. Morton, and their weekly wages amount to £4 11s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th January, 1870, on a letter from Messrs. Langley and Gibbon, on behalf of Mr. H. J. West, relative to alleged damage to his house, Cornish-villa, Plough-road, Rotherhithe, in the execution of the Board's sewerage works; recommending the Board to decline to admit their liability, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to protect their interests, in the event of Messrs. Langley and Gibbon instituting legal proceedings.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th January, 1870, on letters from Mr. T. Daniel, No. 16, Plough-road, Rotherhithe, claiming the sum of £115 for alleged damage to his house

in the execution of the Board's sewerage works; recommending that Mr. Daniel be informed that a copy of his letter has been sent to the Contractor, but that the Board on their part decline to admit any liability for the alleged damage.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be sent to Mr. Daniel accordingly.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th January, 1870, on letters from Mr. I. C. Hall, on behalf of Miss S. Myers, applying for compensation for injuries alleged to have been sustained by her in consequence of the unprotected state in which the Board's officers had left the pavement in Goulston-street, Whitechapel; stating that the Board have executed no works in Goulston-street, and have no control over the pavement referred to, and recommending that Mr. Hall be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication as recommended therein be sent to Mr. Hall.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th January, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract, viz.—

New side entrances to the sewer in Queen's-road—

One near High-street, Kensington	£32	0	0
One near Uxbridge-road	45	0	0
	£77	0	0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

14. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following letter—

The Board of Works for the Lewisham District,
Grove-place, Lewisham, Kent, S.E., 22nd December, 1869.

BROMLEY SEWAGE SCHEME.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Board with reference to this scheme, on the subject of which they recently presented a Memorial to the Metropolitan Board, to suggest the practicability of inserting in some Bill in Parliament promulgated by your Board, a clause for preventing the Sewage of any outlying district being brought within the Metropolitan area for purposes of irrigation or otherwise.

Such a provision would at once put an end to this scheme, and prevent any other being brought forward for the outskirts of the Metropolis.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) SAML. EDWARDS, Clerk to the Board.

Wm. Wyke Smith, Esq.,
Solicitor, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

15. The Solicitor laid before the Board copies of the following Parliamentary Bills, viz.—

North Metropolitan Tramways Bill.
Wandsworth Bridge.
Islington Railway.
Great Eastern (Metropolitan Railways).
Arch Street Inclosure Bill.
Belgrave Market Bill.
East and West Junction Railway.
East London Railway.
East and West Metropolitan Junction and Mansion House Railway.
Great Central Gas Consumers Company.
Hounslow and North London Railway.
South Eastern Railway.
North Western and Charing Cross Railway.
Midland Railway—Additional powers.
London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway.
London and North Western Railway—Additional powers.

The Solicitor reported that the North Western and Charing Cross Railway Bill was not to be proceeded with.

Resolved—That the above mentioned Bills, with the exception of that relating to the North Western and Charing Cross Railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

16. The Solicitor laid before the Board an agreement with Mr. William Boutcher for a lease of plots Nos. 1 to 8 in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said agreement, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board a notice from Messrs. Wing and Du Cane, on behalf of Mr. Charles Turner, dated 22nd December, 1869, of action against the Board in respect of the stopping up of a right of way over lands adjacent to Finsbury Park.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates, with power to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of a writ in an action against the Board by Mrs. P. Darling for alleged damages sustained by her from a Fire Escape in Mile End-road.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do appear to the said writ, and that the matter of the action be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, with authority to take steps for protecting the interests of the Board.

19. Read a Report as follows—

HOLLAND AND HANNEN.

The Board instructed me to assist Mr. Oliver, the District Surveyor of Whitechapel, in prosecuting these Builders who had erected a large pile of warehouses in Leman-street, Whitechapel, in contravention of the provisions of the Building Act. I accordingly took out a summons which was returnable before Mr. Lushington, at the Thames Police Court, on Wednesday last I appeared in support, and Mr. Serjeant Sleigh, for the Builders, in opposition. After a long argument the Magistrate convicted Messrs. Holland and Hannen, and Mr. Serjeant Sleigh asked that a case might be stated for the opinion of a superior Court which was granted as there have been several conflicting decisions of Magistrates as to the applicability of Rule 4, Sec. 27 of the Act under which the summons was taken out. The decision is of importance and of general application, and the Board may think it proper to support the order of the Magistrate, and the Board will, perhaps, instruct me to take all steps which may be necessary to support and enforce the present conviction and order.

I may mention, as the opinion of the superior Court is to be taken, the Magistrate directed that the Builders should not be compelled to alter the building for six calendar months.

January, 7th, 1870. (Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do take the necessary steps for supporting the decision of the Magistrate.

20. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 7th January, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to Licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are 18 applications for licenses, and 4 in which transfers are required.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that Licenses be granted till the end of June, and that the Licenses in the other cases be transferred to the several persons mentioned in the Schedule.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted was aid before the Board.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 17th December, 1869, to Mr. S. Wills (12,561), be transferred to Mr. James Grainger, 783, Old Kent-road, Camberwell.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 17th December, 1869, to Mr. H. Newland (12,943), be transferred to Mr. James Henry Weeden, 2, Great Woods-place, St. George's-road, Peckham, Camberwell.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 23rd December, 1869, to Mrs. M. Welton (12,626), be transferred to Mr. Samuel Reeve Welton, 68, Seymour-street, Edgware-road, St. Marylebone.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 23rd December, 1869, to Mrs. E. Jackson (12,488), be transferred to Mr. Richard William Medhurst, 149, Tooley-street, St. Olave, Southwark.

Resolved—That Licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of five calendar months and twenty-four days, from the 7th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
Bethnal Green	Seymour, Geo.	14,595	24, Winchester Street	5	Yard P. d.
Camberwell	Howell, Maurice	14,612	61, High Street, Peckham	1	Shop btls.
Hackney	Flack, J. C.	14 607	15, Amhurst Road West	20	Yard P. d.
,,	Nicholas, W. Richd.	14,624	1, Amhurst Road East	1	Shop btls.
,,	Baker, Fred. B.	14,630	195, Queen's Road, Dalston	1	,, ,,
Islington	Steel, Frank Wm.	14,619	283, Liverpool Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Huggins, Wm.	14,620	53, Andover Road, Hornsey Road	5	Yard P. d.
Kensington	Sargent, Geo. W.	14,596	3, Allason Terrace, Church Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Shephard, T. F.	14,597	46, All Saints' Road, Kensington Park	1	,, ,,
Lambeth	Webber, Wm. Hy.	14,603	405, Kennington Road	10	Kitchen P. d.
Newington	Knight, Jas.	14,598	10, Angle Street, Walworth	30	Shed P. d.
Paddington	Haynes, Chas. H.	14,599	110, Talbot Road	1	Shop btls.
St. Giles	Turner, Chas. E.	14,608	63, Great Russell Street	1	,, ,,
Shoreditch	Hassell, Geo.	12,429	65, Pitfield Street, Hoxton	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Egerton, J.	14,600	212, Hoxton Old Town	5	,, ,,
,,	Young, G. C.	14,601	148, Hoxton Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Purkiss, Fred.	14,617	137, East Road, Hoxton	5	,, ,,
,,	Norburn, A. H.	14,634	92, St. John's Road, Hoxton	1	Shop btls.

The several Licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

21. The Engineer reported that John Fortescue, lately employed as Clerk of Works on the Thames Embankment North, (Contract No. 3,) had died on the 6th instant.

22. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 2), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following thoroughfares, &c., together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the local authorities in carrying out such Orders, viz.—

Denmark Street, &c.	Camberwell
Denmark Road, &c.	,,
Walton Villas, &c.	Chelsea
Cochrane Terrace, &c.	Marylebone
South Lambeth New Road, &c.	Lambeth
Hemus Terrace, &c.	Chelsea

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively, and that the same be transmitted to the several Vestries; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

23. The Board proceeded upon their Resolution of the 19th November, 1865 (No. 6), as follows—"That the Board do, in the month of January in each year, consider the subject of the "Salaries and Classification of the subordinate Officers of the Board, with a view of ascer-"taining whether any, and what, alteration should be made in the position and salary of any "of the Officers."

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

24. The Board considered further their resolution of the 22nd January last (No. 4), as follows—"That Messrs. Airey, Dethridge, and Mills, the Gas Meter Inspectors employed by the Board "be authorized to test petroleum, under the Provisions of the Petroleum Act, and that they "be remunerated by the Board at the end of each year according to the amount of work "done."

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

25. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Rotherhithe, for permission to borrow the sum of £3,000, for Paving and Improvement Works in the Parish; and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary, Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the Paving and General Purposes Rates, leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of three thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in the execution of certain works of Paving and Improvement within the said Parish. **And whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the sum of three thousand pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary, Rotherhithe, on the security of the Paving and General Purposes Rates, leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of three thousand pounds for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in the execution of the said works of Paving and Improvement within the said Parish, such loan to bear interest at the rate of Five pounds per centum per annum, and to be repaid by fifteen equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 9th December, 1869, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg.—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Rotherhithe; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

26. Read a letter from Mr. Henry Child, Ward Clerk of Walbrook, dated 22nd December, 1869, with a copy of a resolution passed at the Wardmote, held in Walbrook Ward on the 21st December, urging the Board to act with the City Improvement Committee, with a view to preserving the ground for at least 42 feet beyond the present western side of Walbrook, as an open space.

Resolved—That Mr. Child be informed that the Board have already decided that they cannot assent to the proposal to leave the ground in question as an open space.

27. Read a letter from Mr. A. Turner, Clerk to the Whitechapel District Board, dated 21st December, 1869, with a copy of a letter from the Rev. P. Dickerson, calling attention to inconvenience caused by the narrowness of the thoroughfare leading from Union-street, Commercial-road, to Little Alie-street.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

28. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Hon. A. F. O. Liddell, Home Office, dated 23rd December, 1869, stating that fifty copies of Mr. Rawlinson's Report on the Barking Inquiry would be furnished to the Board, when printed, and reported that the copies had since been received and circulated among the Members of the Board.

29. The Clerk reported that, in compliance with the resolution of the Board of the 17th December last (No. 3), he had applied to the Metropolitan District Railway Company for payment of £4,414 7s. 7d, the amount of interest due from the Company on the 1st of the present month, and had received from the Secretary of the Company a letter, dated 1st January, 1870, with a cheque for the amount, which he had handed to the cashier of the Board.

The Bankers' Pass Book, containing an entry of the amount, was laid before the Board.

30. Read a letter from Mr. W. L. Howell, Clerk to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, dated 30th December, 1869, with copies of resolutions of the Vestry, to the effect that the Tramway system should be tested by actual experience before any additional lines are sanctioned; and urging the Board to oppose the application of the Metropolitan Railway Company to abandon the extension of their line from Norton Folgate to Tower Hill.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

31. Read a letter from Mr. S. J. Barth, Clerk to the Poplar District Board of Works, dated 1st January, 1870, with reference to the complaint by Mr. Maris, and others, of nuisance from a felt manufactory in Tredegar-road, Bow, stating that the subject is now under the investigation of their Medical Officers and Surveyor.

32. Read a letter from Mr. R. Ellis, Clerk to the Hackney District Board, dated 28th December, 1869, with a copy of a resolution of the District Board, requesting this Board to re-name that portion of the Stoke Newington-road, between Shacklewell-lane and West Hackney Church, "Stoke Newington-road," and from thence to Abney Park Cemetery, "Stoke Newington High-street;" and that the portion of Sandringham-road between High-street, Kingsland, and the back road, be named "Robinson's-road."

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

33. Read a letter from Mr. E. G. Ravenstein, president of the German Gymnastic Society, dated 22nd December, 1869, suggesting the incorporation of old and new St. Pancras-roads under the name of St. Pancras-road; and also suggesting names for two narrow passages adjoining the Gymnasium.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

34. Read a letter as follows—

Treasury Chambers, 4th January, 1870.

Gentlemen,—I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to convey to you, hereby, their sanction for carrying out the proposals contained in Mr. Pollard's letter of the 23rd ultimo, viz. (under the provisions of the Act 32, 33, Vict., cap. 102), that the Metropolitan Board of Works should keep one consolidated account at the London and Westminster Bank, to include all the Board's Accounts already kept there (except the subsidiary Wages and Petty Disbursements Account), together with any further moneys raised for future improvements; and that the Accounts at the Bank of England of the Southern Embankment, and the Mansion House-street, should be consolidated with the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, opened on the passing of the Act 25, 26, Vict., cap 93. Also, that there should be kept in your department a consolidated cash-book, instead of, as now, separate cash-books for each account.

The Metropolitan Board of Works. (Signed) GEO. A. HAMILTON.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee and to the Accountant.

35. Read a letter from Mr. F. Dethridge, Clerk to the Vestry of Paddington, dated 4th January, 1870, with a copy of a resolution of the Vestry requesting the Board to apply the name Hyde Park-street to the line of thoroughfare extending from Southwick-crescent to Hyde Park-terrace, exclusive of the houses there, now numbered in Hyde Park-square, and to order the houses to be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Robert Essery, dated 28th December, 1869, offering suggestions for the removal of snow from the streets of the Metropolis.

37. Read a letter from Messrs. Gore and Green, dated 6th January, 1870, stating that they had patented a steam road rammer, and had received permission to make a trial of it on a road in course of formation in Hyde Park, and stating that they would be happy to give the Board notice when the trial would take place if they should so desire.

Resolved—That Messrs. Gore and Green be requested to state the time and place fixed for the intended trial, and that the Clerk do communicate the same to the Members of the Board.

38. Read a letter as follows—

Office of Works, &c., S.W., 5th January, 1870.

Sir,—The Metropolitan Board of Works having annually prepared a Report on all the projects affecting the Metropolis which are to be brought under the consideration of Parliament by private bills, I am directed by the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., to inform you that he thinks that it would be of much public advantage if your Board would direct their officers to notice in their report in a prominent manner any probable injury to Public Buildings and Works which might result from the execution of such projects in order that the views of the Select Committee of the House of Commons of the last session may be carried out in the most convenient manner.

The First Commissioner also directs me to state that he will be obliged by your Board forwarding to him a copy of their report so soon as it is made, in order that he may have ample time to consider how far it may be necessary to communicate or co-operate with them on the subject of it, so far as respects any public works or buildings under the charge of this department.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEORGE RUSSELL, Secretary.

Resolved—That two copies of the report of the Engineer on Parliamentary Schemes, when prepared, be sent to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., and that the foregoing letter be referred to the Engineer.

39. Read a letter from Messrs. L. Cohen & Sons, and eight others, dated 6th January, 1870, stating that they were subscribers to the Board's Consolidated Loan, that the Transfer Stamp duty of $\frac{1}{8}$ per cent. lowered the price and impeded the free transfer of the Stock, and requesting the Board to obtain a repeal of the charge.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

40. Read a letter as follows—

Board of Trade, Railway Department, London, S.W., 6th January, 1870.

Sir,—I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit, for the information of the Metropolitan Board of Works, the enclosed copy of a clause which the Gas Companies desire to insert into the scheme for the amalgamation of the Gas Light and Coke Company and the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, being advised that such a clause is necessary to protect their rights, in consequence of the introduction into the scheme of the clauses relating to the cessation of the manufacture and storage of Gas within the City.

I am to request that the Metropolitan Board will be good enough to furnish any observations they may wish to make upon the proposed clause as soon as practicable, in order that no avoidable delay may take place in finally settling the scheme.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBERT G. W. HERBERT.

"Provided always that nothing in this scheme shall be deemed to prejudice, diminish, or "affect the right of the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company or the United Company "to compensation for injury done to the property of the City of London Gas Light and Coke "Company at Blackfriars, and for the interference with the carrying on of the business of that "company."

Resolved—That the said letter and clause be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

41. Read a letter from Mr. H. C. Sorby, President of the Sheffield Literary and Philosophical Society, dated January 5th, 1870, requesting the Board to grant the Society the use of the model of the Holborn Viaduct for exhibition at their annual conversazione.

Resolved—That Mr. Sorby be informed that the Board have no model of the Holborn Viaduct, and that it be suggested to him that he should address his application to the Corporation of the City of London.

42. Mr. Runtz stated that complaints had been made to the Hackney District Board, of nuisance occasioned by the drainage of a paraffin factory into the Low Level Sewer in White Post-lane, Hackney Wick, and **moved**—That the matter be referred to the Engineer, for consideration and report.

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Cook, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

43. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Redmond, for the consent of the Board to the alteration of the frontage line of certain proposed houses in Albion-road, Stoke Newington, sanctioned by the Board on the 12th November last (No. 35), and for the erection of bay windows to such houses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Mathews, on behalf of Mr. Andrews, for the consent of the Board to the construction of eaves to a detached house in Seven Sisters-road, Holloway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

45. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. B. S. Williams, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two conservatories at his premises in Junction-road, Upper Holloway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

46. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. M. A. McDermott, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of the house No. 1, Union-place, Commercial-road, East, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop do not exceed 15 feet in height, that the corner next Jubilee-street be splayed or rounded; that the frontage line be made to conform with the Plan submitted by the Vestry, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on a letter from Mr. F. J. Chester, on behalf of the Vestry of Newington, complaining that Mr. Gilbert had erected a house at the corner of Pleasant-row and Blewett-street, Walworth, within 20 feet of the centre of the road, and requesting that the Superintending Architect might define the line of frontage in Pleasant-row, to enable the Vestry to take proceedings in the matter; stating that the better course would be to proceed under Section 98 of the Amending Act of 1862 as to the width of the street, and recommending that it be referred to the Solicitor for that purpose.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the recommendation be acted upon, and that the matter be referred to the Solicitor, to proceed against Mr. Gilbert, accordingly.

48. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Jenner, for the permission of the Board to the sides of a portico at the house No. 15A, Upper Brook-street, being enclosed with glass, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted.

49. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. M. Cobb, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage for a public house and three shops about to be erected at the corner of Longfield-street, Merton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed buildings be kept to the same line of frontage as the adjacent houses, situate between Longfield-road and Smeaton-road, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. Le Liévre, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace-chimney shaft at the premises No. 28, Hope-street, Hackney-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

51. Christchurch, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Dunning, on behalf of Messrs. Jacobs, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a chimney-shaft on land adjacent to Surrey-row, Blackfriars'-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

52. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Would, on behalf of Mr. Hyland, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron building in the rear of his house at Deptford Bridge, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

53. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Tupper and Co., on behalf of the General Steam Navigation Company, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two cattle sheds with iron roofs, supported on cast iron columns, at Cold Harbour Wharf, Poplar, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed sheds be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

54. St. James, Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Knight, on behalf of the Right Hon. Viscount Sydney, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a verandah over the entrance to the house, No. 3, Cleveland Square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed verandah be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

55. St. James, Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Sparks, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a water-closet at the rear of the house No. 1, Cross-street, Regent-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.
application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

56. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Saunders, on behalf of Messrs. Warner and Ashby, for the consent of the Board to the construction of corrugated iron sheds at their Colour Works in Harrington-road, Charlton, as shown upon the amended Plan, numbered 3, accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

57. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Saunders, on behalf of Messrs. Warner and Ashby, for the

consent of the Board to the construction of a shed at their works in Harrington-road, Charlton, as shown upon the amended Plan, numbered 2, accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the uprights be formed of iron, instead of wood as proposed.

58. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Saunders, on behalf of Messrs. Warner and Ashby, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two sheds at their works in Harrington-road, Charlton, as shown upon the amended Plan, numbered 1, accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

59. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Pullinger, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, 40 feet in width, to lead from the Crystal Palace-road to Underhill-road, Peckham, and of the name, "Darrell-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

60. St. Luke, Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Hill, for the permission of the Board to extend the building over the Gateway leading to Richard's-place, Old-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the consideration of the application be adjourned.

61. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1870, on the application of the Vestry of Camberwell, for the re-numbering of the houses in Leipsic-road, Camberwell New-road.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

62. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Greathead, for the consent of the Board to the substitution of the name "Tasso-road," for "Basham-road," as sanctioned by the Board on the 12th November last (No. 49) for a new street to lead out of Greyhound-lane.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

63. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Grove, for the permission of the Board to substitute the name "Pembury-road North" for "Queen's Downs-road," Lower Clapton.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

64. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Currey, for the consent of the Board to the substitution of the name, "Ruston Mews" for "Crayford Mews," St. Mark's-road, Notting Hill; and the name, "Thorpe Mews" for "Cotsford Mews," Scampston-road, Notting Hill, as sanctioned by the Board on the 12th June, 1868, (No. 105), and the 26th June, 1868, (No. 61).

Resolved—That the application be granted.

65. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Allnutt, for the abolition of the subsidiary names and the re-numbering of the houses in Holland-road.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

66. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Kelly, for the approval by the Board of the elevation of a proposed building at the rear of his house, No. 2, Islip-street, Kentish Town, the line of frontage of which was sanctioned by the Board on the 10th December last, (No. 34).

Resolved—That the application be granted.

67. St. George, Hanover Square—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Hackforth, for the consent of the Board to the

erection of an ornamental iron balcony at the house No. 16, Hill-street, Berkeley-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the balcony be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

68. Greenwich—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th January, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, District Surveyor of Greenwich, requesting the sanction of the Board to his appointing Mr. Thomas Henry Raiman, as his assistant for one month, to enable him more effectually to carry on proceedings and prepare plans relative to irregular buildings for carrying on a dangerous business which have been constructed without notice.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment by Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, of Mr. Thomas Henry Raiman as his assistant, for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of Greenwich, for a period of one month from this date.

69. The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and the following **motion** and **amendment** thereon, viz.:—

> *Motion* by Mr. Freeman—That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report.
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> *Amendment* by Mr. Shaw—That, before seeking an interview with Her Majesty's Government to ascertain their intentions with regard to the question of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, the Board do act upon the recommendation made to Parliament by the Select Committee of the House of Commons in their Report dated 27th June, 1867, on the East London Water Supply Bills, viz.:—That the Metropolitan Board of Works shall have an opportunity of examining the question of a constant supply of water, and of communicating with the Companies on the subject, for the purpose of applying to Parliament, if necessary.

adjourned on the 17th December last (No. 55).

After discussion, it was **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Turner—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next at 2 o'clock p.m.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 14th instant, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 2.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **14th** day of **January,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Francis Healey, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
PhilipHemeryLeBreton,Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
JamesEbenezerSaunders,Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq
William Clark, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 7th instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Finance Committee.

Spring Gardens, 11th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the pass books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the certificate of the Manager of the London and Westminster Bank, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Cash Balances, 10th January, 1870.	Cheques not Presented, 10th January, 1870.		
		Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	1,065,411 10 1	3,630 2 4	500,071 17 5	503,701 19 9
Consolidated Loans Fund	5,621 1 7	....	....	....
Covent Garden Approach	1,500 0 0	....	....	....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	3,040 17 4	....	....	....
Victoria Park Approach	525 6 6	....	....	....
Finsbury Park	723 5 3	....	....	....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	1,433 5 7	28 8 6	....	28 8 6
Southwark Park	777 2 2	15 6 5	....	15 6 5
Fire Brigade	4,239 5 0	351 5 9	594 2 9	945 8 6
Whitechapel Improvement	12,991 16 6	....	4,193 5 4	4,193 5 4
Holborn Improvement	345 11 6	....	....	....
Kensington Improvement	7,325 10 3	3 0 0	158 9 6	161 9 6
Stingo Lane Improvement	34,034 4 3	114 3 0	7,164 7 2	7,278 10 2
Wages and Petty Disbursement	3,146 15 10	834 7 1	375 0 0	1,209 7 1
	£ 1,141,115 11 10	4,976 13 1	512,557 2 2	517,533 15 3
BANK OF ENGLAND.				
Metropolis Main Drainage	17,443 7 6	98 0 0	150 0 0	248 0 0
Thames Embankment, North	83,540 3 10	316 4 0	6,450 0 0	6,766 4 0
Southern Embankment	170,264 13 7	209 9 0	48 1 0	257 10 0
Mansion House Street	42,324 15 8	23 2 5	325 17 7	349 0 0
	£ 1,454,688 12 5	5,623 8 6	519,531 0 9	525,154 9 3

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund .. .. .. £136,880 19s. 2d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade .. .. 649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund .. .. 2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board.

SUMS RECEIVED, from the 13th December, 1869, to the 8th January, 1870—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	166 2 6	
Rates collected	1,582 8 9	
Plans, &c., sold	1 2 0	
Costs of Summonses	3 3 0	
Building Act Fees	10 5 0	
Fees *re* Dangerous Structures	7 17 6	
Interest on Daily Balances—Half-year to 31st December, 1869	1,897 15 0	
Instalments of Loan of £2,500,000	369,331 7 2	
		373,000 0 11
Carried forward ..		£373,000 0 11

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward		373,000 0 11
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Interest *re* Metropolitan District Railway	4,414 7 7	
Rents	993 4 1	
		5,407 11 8
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.		
Rates collected		476 12 0
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Lincoln's Inn, on account of Precept	31 0 0	
Contributions from Insurance Offices	2,679 17 0	
Attendance at Ex-Metropolitan Fires	37 3 10	
Watching Premises	160 17 0	
Chimney Fire Fines	42 7 0	
		2,951 4 10
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT.		
Sale of Land, *re* Stiff		2,155 0 0
MANSION HOUSE STREET.		
Rents		4 0 0
		£383,994 9 5

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal Officers, for the payment to Contractors and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £6,089 1s. 9d., be paid.

Your Committee, in accordance with the reference made to them by the Board on the 19th November, 1869, (No. 3), have considered the application of the Vestry of Rotherhithe for sanction to their borrowing the sum of £800 for the re-payment of that amount which they borrowed, under the sanction of the Board, in January, 1865, for a period of five years certain, for the purpose of carrying out certain sewerage works in their parish. They state that the reason for the present application is that, having since the date of the above-mentioned loan executed other sewerage works to the extent of £1,391 19s. 6d., it was considered inexpedient to increase the already large amounts assessed for sewers' rates, and they have consequently been unable to set aside year by year a sufficient sum to enable them to discharge the debt of £800 at the time prescribed by the mortgage, and they, therefore, request the Board to sanction the taking up of a fresh loan of the same amount, to be repaid within such period as they may deem right. Your Committee have received from the Solicitor, a report to the effect that there appears to be no reason in point of law why the Vestry may not re-borrow the sum in question, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the sanction of the Board be given to the Vestry of Rotherhithe borrowing the sum of £800 for defraying the cost of sewerage works in that parish, at interest not exceeding 5 per cent., such sum with interest to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding 10 years.

Your Committee have now to report that they have had under their consideration the arrangements necessary to be made with the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, with reference to the Loan raised by this Board, on behalf of the Managers, in accordance with the provisions of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869. Your Committee find from the letters received from the Managers, that the extent to which they are at present authorised by the Poor Law Board to borrow, is £460,000, and, having very carefully considered the statements of the Managers as to their requirements and all the circumstances, they suggested to them that the required sum should be advanced in the following instalments, so soon as the sanction of the Treasury has been obtained and the necessary legal documents sealed by the Managers, viz.—

.. ..	£225,000
On the 1st February, 1870	78,000
„ 6th April, „	78,000
„ 6th July, „	79,000
	£460,000

That the rate of interest should be £3 17s. 6d. per cent. payable quarterly, and to be charged upon the outstanding balance. The interest on the first instalment to commence from the 6th January, 1870, and the interest on the subsequent instalments from the above mentioned dates. The repayment to be by one sixtieth part of the total sum of £460,000, viz. £7,666 13s. 4d. yearly, the first payment to be made on the 1st October next, and a similar sum on the 1st October in each succeeding year until the whole amount is repaid. In fixing the rate of interest, your Committee have had regard to the annual cost of management of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock raised in respect of the loan advanced to the Managers, and also the loss which the Board might sustain during the sixty years, in investing or using the moneys repaid to them by the managers. The cost of stamps and ordinary legal charges on the mortgages to be paid separately as the instalments are advanced. Your Committee directed a communication embodying their views, and the terms above stated, to be made to the Managers, and they have had before them a reply stating that the Managers accept the several terms and conditions proposed to them, and that they are prepared to take up the said sum of £460,000, and also the balance of the £500,000 authorized by the Act of last Session, at such times and in such sums as they may be authorized by the Poor Law Board. They further state that they have directed their Solicitor to settle the draft mortgage to be given to the Board, and they trust that there will be no obstacle to their receiving the first instalment of £225,000 by their meeting on the 22nd instant, in order that they may then be able to pay off the amounts which have been advanced to them by the Public Works Loan Commissioners. Your Committee, being of opinion that the proposed arrangements are such as the Board will approve, and that the wishes of the Managers should be complied with, recommend—

> That a cheque be drawn for the sum of £225,000, being the first instalment of the loan of £460,000 raised by the Board for the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, under the powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, and that such cheque be handed to the Managers of the Asylum District on the completion of the mortgage to the satisfaction of the Solicitor of this Board.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 23rd December, 1869, (No. 51), your Committee have considered the application of the Plumstead District Board for permission to borrow £900 for defraying the cost of a portion of the sewerage works carried out by them in the parish of Kidbrooke, the expenditure for which cannot be at present recovered by them as the sewer runs through land not yet built upon or laid out as a street. The Engineer has reported to your Committee that he considers the amount expended on the work reasonable, they, therefore, recommend—

> That the sanction of the Board be given to the Plumstead District Board borrowing the sum of £900 for defraying the cost of sewerage works in the parish of Kidbrooke, at interest not exceeding 5 per cent., such sum with interest to be repaid within a period not exceeding five years.

With regard to the recommendation of your Committee, that a cheque for £20,000 be drawn on the Thames Embankment, North, Account, in favour of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund at the Bank of England, made to the Board on the 17th December last (No. 3), and referred back on the same day for further consideration, your Committee have now to report, that, as the Board at their last meeting ordered a temporary loan of £15,669 0s. 2d. to be advanced to the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund Account, it will not be necessary to proceed further in the matter, and they recommend—

> That the reference of the 17th December last be discharged.

Your Committee, having had before them the certificate of the Superintending Architect, referred by the Board on the 17th December, 1869, (No. 51), stating that the improvement at the corner of Penrose Street (late West Street), Walworth Road, to the cost of which the Board, on the 8th May, 1868, (No. 5), agreed to contribute the sum of £150, had been completed by the Vestry of Newington, and that they were now entitled to receive the amount, beg to recommend—

> That a cheque for £150 be drawn on the General Account in favour of the Vestry of Newington, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board towards the cost of an improvement carried out by the Vestry at the corner of Penrose Street, (late West Street), Walworth Road.

In accordance with the reference by the Board of the 17th December last (No. 29), your Committee have considered the letter from Messrs. Marshall and Co., and other holders of the Board's Consolidated Stock, urging the importance of the Board's obtaining the repeal of the transfer stamp on their stock, and they recommend—

That they be informed that the Board have endeavoured to obtain from the Chancellor of the Exchequer, a repeal of the duty in question, but without success.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CROCKETT, W., Contractor—			
(3475)	Further on account of Kennington Park Road Sewer—Contract No. 149	500 0 0	
BEADLE, C.—			
(3476)	Wallscot, due to the Commissioners for Erith Marshes, in respect of land taken for Crossness Pumping Station, One Year due Michaelmas, 1869	13 18 0	
GIBSON, H., Clerk of Peace—			
(3477)	Fees on Appeals, *re* West Ham Rates	8 12 6	
EYRE AND SPOTTISWOODE—			
(3478)	Subscription for Parliamentary Papers, House of Lords, Session 1870	18 8 0	
TWYMAN, C.—			
(3479)	Cost of Conveyance, *re* Abbey Mills Pumping Station..	4 14 0	
APPLETON, J.			
(3480)	Sweeping Office Chimneys, for the Year 1869	6 14 6	
BOGGIS, G. E., Housekeeper—			
(3481)	Assistance in cleaning Offices, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869 ..	9 18 6	
BANK OF ENGLAND—			
(3482)	Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Loan of £50,000 due 19th January, 1870	1,101 11 3	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—			
(3483)	Bills for Fair Copying, &c., November 1869—		
	Accountant's Department	£19 14 4	
	Superintending Architect's Department.. ..	112 7 4	
		132 1 8	
OFFICERS' SALARIES—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870— First Monthly Advance on account—			
(3484)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	£25 0 0	
(3485)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,,	25 0 0	
(3486)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,,	21 13 4	
(3487)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,,	15 12 6	
(3488)	Estlin, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4	
(3489)	Link, G. E. ,, ,,	12 10 0	
(3490)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,,	12 0 0	
(3491)	Link, W. ,, ,,	11 13 4	
(3492)	Hammond, D. ,, ,,	10 16 8	
(3493)	Spencer, A. ,, ,,	10 16 8	
(3494)	Moore, H. F. ,, ,,	10 0 0	
(3495)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7 0 0	
(3496)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7 0 0	
(3497)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25 0 0	
(3498)	Whitworth, E., 3rd Clerk, Accountant's Department	14 11 8	
(3499)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk ,,	15 12 6	
(3500)	Doggett, E. ,, ,,	11 13 4	
(3501)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,,	7 0 0	
(3502)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,,	6 6 8	
(3503)	Fenton, J. ,, ,,	5 0 0	
(3504)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25 0 0	
(3505)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25 0 0	
(3506)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25 0 0	
(3507)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	11 13 4	
	Carried forward ..	£357 13 4	1,795 18 5 ..

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	£357 13 4	1,795 18 5	..
(3508)	McDougall, J., Surveyor, Engineer's Department	25 0 0		
(3509)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,,	25 0 0		
(3510)	Groves, W. ,, ,,	21 13 4		
(3511)	Hunter, R. J. ,, ,,	21 13 4		
(3512)	Crook, W., ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3513)	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3514)	Crane, W. ,, ,,	18 6 8		
(3515)	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3516)	Mott, A. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3517)	Bell, J. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3518)	Groves, S. ,, ,,	15 12 6		
(3519)	Dickins, C., Assistant Clerk ,,	8 6 8		
(3520)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works ,,	18 4 0		
(3521)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,,	9 2 0		
(3522)	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3523)	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3524)	Gibson, G. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3525)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,,	8 6 8		
(3526)	Fernley, G. ,, ,,	4 13 4		
(3527)	Little, R. ,, ,,	6 13 4		
(3528)	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,,	6 13 4		
(3529)	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,,	5 8 4		
(3530)	Spake, J. ,, ,,	5 8 4		
(3531)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Architect's Department	25 0 0		
(3532)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer ,,	33 6 8		
(3533)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,,	25 0 0		
(3534)	Morgan, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3535)	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman ,,	14 11 8		
(3536)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,,	25 0 0		
(3537)	Pape, J., ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3538)	White, C. W. ,, ,,	15 12 6		
(3539)	Chapman, W. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3540)	Welsh R. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3541)	Knight, W. H. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3542)	Robertson, T. J. ,, ,,	9 3 4		
(3543)	Hogarth, R. ,, Solicitor's Department	27 10 0		
(3544)	Hinchliff, G. ,, ,,	25 0 0		
(3545)	Fry, C. ,, ,,	23 6 8		
(3546)	Hertslet, F. ,, ,,	11 13 4		
(3547)	Bloomfield, E. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3548)	Scott, G. W. ,, ,,	10 0 0		
(3549)	Holland, T., Record-room Keeper	12 10 0		
			1,002 19 4	
	WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(3550)	Weekly Wages—Week ending 5th January, 1870 ..	£280 7 10		
	Bills for Advertisements—			
	Kennington Park Road Sewer	£4 2 0		
	Metropolitan Consolidated Stock	33 3 0		
	Junior Clerk	1 8 0		
		38 13 0		
	Petty Cash Payments—4th to 10th January, 1870 ..	46 4 5		
			365 5 3	
				3,164 3 0
	PARK LANE IMPROVEMENT.			
	POWNALL, G., Surveyor—			
	(1) Professional Charges, *re* Park Lane Improvement Bill		150 0 0	
	RUSHWORTH, ABBOTT, AND Co., Surveyors—			
	(2) Professional Charges, *re* Park Lane Improvement Bill		120 15 0	
	NIXON, W. T., Surveyor—			
	(3) Professional Charges, *re* Stables west of Hamilton Mews, Park Lane ..		35 8 0	
				306 3 0
	FINSBURY PARK.			
	FOSTER, C. N., Contractor—			
	(161) On account of building Lodge, Gates, &c.—Contract No. 64	£585 0 0		
	Carried forward ..	£585 0 0	..	3,470 6 0

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	£585 0 0	..	3,170 6 0
(162) On account of building Urinals, &c., Contract No. 159	153 0 0		
		738 0 0	
ANDERSON, M., AND SON, Contractors—			
(163) Balance of Contract for forming Roads to land adjoining the Park ..		680 17 2	
ETHERIDGE, L., Contractor—			
(164) Balance of Contract for laying Granite Kerb to Footpaths—Contract No. 146		116 10 2	
CORMACK, W.—			
(165) Marling for tying Trees, &c., December, 1869		3 6 6	
FLETCHER, G.—			
(166) Bill for Iron Hurdles, supplied November, 1869		11 13 4	
			1,550 7 2
SOUTHWARK PARK.			
ANDERSON, M., AND SON, Contractors—			
(205) Balance of Contract for making up and coating Foot-paths—Contract No. 143	£54 14 0		
(206) Bill for Labourers employed, 12th March to 9th July, 1869	180 16 4		
		235 10 4	
FLETCHER, G.—			
(207) Bill for Iron Hurdles, supplied November, 1869		5 0 0	
			240 14 0
FIRE BRIGADE.			
HAND-IN-HAND ASSURANCE COMPANY—			
(2294) Half-Year's Interest (less tax) on Loan of £10,000, due 19th January, 1870		219 1 9	
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2295) Weekly Wages, (Draughtsman)—Week ending 5th January, 1870	£2 10 0		
Ditto (Firemen)—Week ending 8th January, 1870	514 2 6		
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Week ending 8th January, 1870	1 11 0		
Smart, T.—Fixing range at Greenwich Station ..	1 0 0		
		519 3 6	
			738 5 3
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(592) Weekly Wages—Week ending 5th January, 1870			3 3 0
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(2448) Weekly Wages—Week ending 5th January, 1870			33 12 0
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(1) Weekly Wages—Week ending 5th January, 1870			20 13 0
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
(1) Weekly Wages—Week ending 5th January, 1870			3 3 0
MANSION HOUSE STREET.			
NEGRETTI AND ZAMBRA—			
(1) Bill for Photography—January to July, 1869			29 2 0
	TOTAL ..		£6,089 1 9

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CYRUS LEGG,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole £6,089 1s. 9d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Vestry of Rotherhithe be permitted to borrow the sum of £800 for defraying the cost of sewerage works in that parish, at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum; and that the principal with interest be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding ten years.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the further consideration of that part of the Report which relates to the drawing of a cheque for the sum of £225,000, being the first instalment of the loan of £460,000 raised by the Board for the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, be adjourned until Friday next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Board of Works for the Plumstead District be permitted to borrow the sum of £900 for defraying the cost of sewerage works in the parish of Kidbrooke, at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 per cent., per annum, and that the principal with interest, be repaid within a period not exceeding five years.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the reference by the Board of the 17th December last (No. 3), with regard to the transfer of £20,000 from the Thames Embankment (North) Account, to the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund Account, be discharged.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £150 be now drawn on the General Account in favour of the Vestry of Newington, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board towards the cost of an Improvement carried out by the Vestry at the corner of Penrose-street, (late West-street), Walworth-road, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from Messrs. Marshall and Co., and other holders of the Board's Consolidated Stock, urging the importance of the Board obtaining a repeal of the transfer stamp, be approved, and that the parties be informed that the Board have endeavoured to obtain from the Chancellor of the Exchequer his consent to a repeal of the duty in question, but without success.

3. The Chairman informed the Board that he had on the 1st instant paid to the Bank of England the sum of £56,498 11s. 10d., for interest on the Main Drainage Loan as follows—

	£	s.	d.
From 1st July to 11th Oct., 1869—102 days on £3,030,000 at 3¾ per cent.	31,752	14	10
„ 11th Oct. to 1st Jan., 1870— 82 „ 3,080,000 ditto.	25,947	18	11
	57,700	13	9
Less Tax at 5d. in the £ ..	1,202	1	11
	£56,498	11	10

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD ON THE LOANS ACT.

Spring Gardens, 12th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they are proceeding on the resolution of the Board of the 26th November last (No. 8), requesting them to consider and report as to the expediency and propriety of converting into Consolidated Stock the whole or part of the remaining indebtedness of the Board in respect of the Southwark and Westminster Communication, and the carrying to the Consolidated Loans Fund, the Sinking Fund formed for the payment of that indebtedness; also to consider and report what other sums are to be carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund, and generally as to the application of the said Fund. Your Committee hope shortly to be able to report generally on this reference, but in the meantime they have to submit to the Board the result of their communication with Her Majesty's Treasury on the subject of

the Improvement Fund. It will be remembered that the Board have lately arranged with the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to pay off the balance of the loan obtained from them for the purposes of the Thames Embankment and the New Street to the Mansion House, out of the proceeds of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, on the understanding that the Board should receive the half of the Improvement Fund of £185,000 hitherto paid to the Commissioners. On subsequently communicating with the Treasury with a view to carrying out the arrangement, doubts were raised as to the legal power of the Treasury to pay the money to the Board, and the opinion of the Attorney and Solicitor-Generals was taken on the subject. The Chairman and Solicitor have, at the request of your Committee, seen the officers of the Treasury several times, and explained to them the views of the Board in the matter, and your Committee have now received a communication from the Treasury, stating the conditions on which they are prepared to pay the money over to the Board. This communication your Committee beg to submit herewith, and to recommend—

That the arrangement proposed by the Treasury be approved.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
WM. NEWTON,
C. H. ELT.

LETTER REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Treasury Chambers, 12th January, 1870.

GENTLEMEN.—The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have had before them your letter of 30th ultimo, enclosing copy of a case submitted to Mr. Reilly, and his opinion thereon, upon the construction of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loan Act, 1869, with respect to the application of the moneys of the Thames Embankment and Metropolitan Improvement Fund.

I am to state that their Lordships, looking to the wording of the 1st sub-section of the 29th Section of the Act, 32 and 33, v., c. 102, considered it proper to inquire of the Bank of England whether, being co-lenders with the National Debt Commissioners, they would put in a claim for the whole of the sum of £185,000 per annum in the event of the moiety of the debt, in respect of which the above annuity is payable, being repaid to the National Debt Commissioners.

In reply to this inquiry, the Governors of the Bank of England have informed their Lordships that they do not see any objection to the payment of the moiety of the sum of £185,000 to the Metropolitan Board of Works without prejudice to the rights of the Bank in the event of any failure in the payment.

I am to add that, under these circumstances, their Lordships will be prepared, subject to the above conditions, to hand over to the Metropolitan Board of Works such balance of the Improvement Fund as may remain after the payment to the Bank of the moiety of the annuity of £185,000 and of the interest payable upon the Loan raised under the provisions of the Act 31 and 32, V., c. 43.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. A. HAMILTON.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, &c., &c., &c.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the arrangement proposed by the Treasury for handing over to the Board such balance of the Improvement Fund as may remain after the payment to the Bank of England of the moiety of the annuity of £185,000, and of the interest payable upon the loan raised under the provisions of the Act 31 and 32 Vict., c. 43, be approved.

An amendment theron was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Newton—That the arrangement proposed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury with respect to handing over to the Board such balance of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund as may remain after the payment to the Bank of England of the moiety of the annuity of £185,000, and of the interest payable upon the Loan raised by the Board under the provisions of the Act 31 and 32 Vict., c. 43, be approved; but that the Treasury be respectfully requested to add to their minute a proviso that no larger sums shall be deducted from the moiety of the £185,000 than is the sum required to make up, together with the moneys in the hands of Her Majesty's Treasury from the Improvement Fund the amount due from time to time for interest upon the Loan raised under the statute before mentioned, and that in the

event of the Board at any time from funds in their hands available for that purpose paying to Her Majesty's Treasury, or to the holders of the Securities, the amount of such deficiency, then the whole sum of the said moiety shall be made over to the Board.

After discussion the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

The Chairman having stated that as the foregoing resolution would involve an alteration of the Treasury Minute, it was desirable that the Board should express their views with respect to the payment to the National Debt Commissioners of the cheque for £500,000, which was drawn at the Meeting of the Board on the 23rd December last.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That should the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury state that, although they are not prepared at the present time to amend their Minute, they concur in the views of the Board, and that they will be willing to consider the question at a future time, the Chairman be authorised and requested to pay the cheque referred to.

5. Mr. Le Breton, in the absence of Mr. Collinson, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 10th January, 1870.

Your Committee have drawn the following cheques for payments connected with Improvements now in progress.

	£ s. d.	£. s. d.
Stingo Lane Improvement.		
Re Salmon—		
Steinberg, N. S. E.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	18 19 2	
Salmon, Robert—		
Proportion of Rent, Walmer Place and Walmer Street £4 16 6		
less Tax 0 2 0		
	4 14 6	
Re Stevens—		
Stevens, William—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 11, Stingo Lane ..	300 0 0	
Glasier and Sons—		
Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract	9 0 0	
Re Levinson—		
Steinberg, N. S. E.—Costs of Apportionment Agreement, and Production of Deeds	9 0 0	
		341 13 8
Mansion House Street.		
Re Cordwainer Ward—		
Davidge, J., Collector—Main Drainage Rate on vacant ground	31 14 7	
Re St. Mary Woolchurch Haw—		
Phillips and Son—		
Deficiency in Poor Rates, made 10th December, 1868, 8th April and 18th November, 1869 .. .. £80 15 7		
Half-year's Rate in lieu of Tithes, due Midsummer, 1869 11 13 3		
	92 8 10	
New River Company—		
Newman, O., Collector—Water Rent, to Christmas, 1869	11 15 9	
Re Michel's Almshouses, &c.—		
Reeves, Edmund—Fee Farm Rents and Charges—One Year to Michaelmas, 1869	7 15 7	
Re Middlesex Hospital—		
Danby, Samuel—Fee Farm Rents and Charges—One Year, to Michaelmas, 1869	1 10 4	
		145 5 1
		£486 18 9

The attention of your Committee has again been directed to the subject of the preservation of Hampstead Heath, in relation to which, it will be remembered, they presented a Report to the Board on the 1st February, 1867, stating the result of an interview which the Chairman

at the request of the Board, had sought with Sir Thomas Maryon Wilson, then Lord of the Manor, but since deceased. Your Committee have now to state that they have received information that the present Lord, Sir John Wilson, is willing to negotiate for the sale of his interest in the Heath, and, under these circumstances, they consider it desirable that some action should be taken in the matter. They accordingly recommend that the subject be referred back to them, with authority to negotiate with the Lord of the Manor and others, and report the result to the Board.

Your Committee have considered the communication, referred to them on the 12th November last (No. 66), from the Plumstead District Board of Works, on the subject of the contemplated sewage works at Holloway Farm, Bromley, urging that any attempt to bring the sewage of Bromley on to the surface of any part of the Metropolitan District should be resisted by this Board and by the District Boards and Parishes; and also the letter from the Lewisham District Board on the same subject, referred on the 26th November last (No. 57). Your Committee are informed that, since these matters have been under their consideration, the Commissioners appointed by the Government Board of Health have reported adversely to the scheme, and that it will consequently be abandoned. They beg to report these facts for the information of the Board.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from the Board of Trade, referred on Friday last (No. 40), transmitting a copy of a clause which the Gas Companies desire to insert into the scheme for the amalgamation of the Gas Light and Coke Company and the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, being advised that such a clause is necessary to protect their rights in consequence of the introduction into the scheme of the clauses relating to the cessation of the manufacture and storage of Gas within the City. By the clause submitted it is sought to provide that nothing in the scheme shall be deemed to prejudice, diminish, or affect the right of the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, or the United Company, to compensation for injury done to the property of the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company at Blackfriars, and for the interference with the carrying on of the business of that Company. Your Committee, upon a consideration of this clause, are of opinion that it is one which the Board should by no means assent to, and they recommend—

> That a communication be addressed to the Board of Trade, in reply to their letter, informing them that this Board strongly object to the insertion of the clause, and that, if the Companies have any rights in the matter, they are already sufficiently protected.

Your Committee have had before them a report by the Engineer relative to the land belonging to the Board, adjoining the Reservoir of the Northern Outfall Sewer, near Barking Creek, which the Board, on the 30th June, 1865, determined to retain. About twelve acres of this land are rented, as arable, by the Essex Reclamation Company; five are occupied by their permanent works, and about two acres are occupied by the Chartered Gas Company's Works. The remainder, containing about twenty-four acres, has hitherto, your Committee find, been more or less occupied by the plant, or trespassed upon by the workmen of the Contractors employed by these two Companies, and your Committee are of opinion that the time has arrived when this remaining portion should be let. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

> That the remainder of the land belonging to the Board adjoining the Reservoir and Northern Outfall Sewer, near Barking Creek, be now let upon a yearly tenancy, determinable by three months' notice, and that advertisements be inserted in the local papers inviting tenders for the land.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application by the Vestry of Paddington for the sanction of the Board to the contributing, by the Vestry, of the sum of £2,500 towards the cost of constructing a bridge across the Grand Junction Canal from Carlton Terrace to Kensal Road, referred by the Board on the 5th August last (No. 5). This matter was under the consideration of the Committee in 1867, upon an application from the Vestry, referred by the Board on the 26th April in that year, for a contribution of £1,000, and a communication was then addressed to the Vestry, by direction of your Committee, requesting them to ascertain whether an improved design and better gradients could not be obtained. No further action appears, however, to have been taken with regard to that application. Your Committee have now had before them a report from the Engineer upon

the present application, from which it appears that, owing to certain requirements of the Canal Company which it is stated they are not disposed to modify, the gradients of the approaches are very objectionable, and can only be approved as quite exceptional and demanded by the necessities of the case. Neither one in thirty, as desired by the Vestry, nor even one in twenty can be obtained without great interference with property, and with the general character of the locality. At the south end of the bridge, the approach is presented considerably out of line with the existing road, in order to obtain a side access to the towing path of the Canal and Wharves. It appears, however, that certain arrangements are contemplated to be made with the Great Western Railway Company, by the parties interested, by which the latter objection will be obviated and the gradients slightly improved, and the Vestry state that they have received an assurance from Mr. Vigers that he will use his best efforts with the Railway Company and the freeholder of the land adjoining to effect these objects. The Engineer has reported that the cost of the bridge and approaches would probably be not less £5,200, the amount mentioned by the Vestry as the understanding upon which they propose to contribute the £2,500. He has also suggested certain modifications with regard to the crust of the bridge roadway and the strength of the girders, involving an extra cost of from £500 to £600, which, however, he considers might doubtless be reduced by some judicious modifications designed to meet the special requirements. Your Committee have carefully considered this application and the report of the Engineer, and, having regard to the special circumstances relating to the objectionable character of the gradients, and considering also the statement, by the Vestry, of the assurance received by them that endeavours will be made to obviate in some degree the difficulties in that respect, your Committee are of opinion that the Board would be justified in acceding to the request of the Vestry, subject to the bridge being constructed in accordance with the suggestions contained in the Engineer's report. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

> That the sanction of the Board be given to the Vestry of Paddington, contributing the sum of £2,500 towards the cost of the proposed bridge over the Grand Junction Canal from Carlton Terrace to Kensal Road, on condition that the following points be observed in the construction of the bridge, viz.—That the crust of the bridge roadway over the supporting plates be in every part at the least of six inches greater thickness than in the design submitted; that the said supporting plates be placed lower down instead of upon the tops of the girders, and that each of the girders be constructed of such ultimate strength as to support at the centre a load of sixty-five tons in addition to five times the actual distributed dead load.

The Board will remember that, on the 25th June last, they agreed to pay the sum of £150 to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of West Ham, on account of each rate assessed upon the Board's property in the Parish, pending the decision of the Court of Queen's Bench as to the principle on which the rates should be assessed. Your Committee find that a payment is now required to be made on account of the Poor Rate, and they recommend that a cheque for £150 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Wilson and Son on the General Account of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
P. H. LE BRETON,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Hall—That so much of the Report as relates to the subject of Hampstead Heath, be approved, and that it be referred back to the Committee with authority to negotiate with the lord and other parties interested in the Heath, and report the result to the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letters from the Plumstead and Lewisham District Boards, relative to an apprehended nuisance from certain contemplated sewage works at Holloway Farm, Bromley, be approved, and that communications in accordance with the Report be sent to those Boards.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Board of Trade be informed, in reply to their letter transmitting a copy of a clause which the Gas Companies desire to insert in the scheme for the amalgamation of the Gas Light and Coke Company and the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, having reference to compensation for injury to property, that this Board strongly object to the insertion of the clause, and that, if the Companies have any rights in the matter, they are already sufficiently protected.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the remainder of the land belonging to the Board adjoining the Reservoir and Northern Outfall Sewer, near Barking Creek, be now let upon a yearly tenancy, determinable by three months' notice, and that advertisements be inserted in the local papers inviting tenders for the land.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Hall—That the sanction of the Board be given to the Vestry of Paddington contributing the sum of £2,500 towards the cost of the proposed bridge over the Grand Junction Canal from Carlton Terrace to Kensal-road, on condition that the following points be observed in the construction of the bridge, viz.—That the crust of the bridge roadway over the supporting plates be in every part at the least of six inches greater thickness than in the design submitted; that the said supporting plates be placed lower down, instead of upon the tops of the girders, and that each of the girders be constructed of such ultimate strength as to support at the centre a load of sixty-five tons in addition to five times the actual distributed dead load.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That a Cheque for £150 be drawn on the General Account, in favour of Messrs. Wilson and Son, on account generally of the West Ham Poor Rate, in accordance with the agreement with the Board.

6. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 11th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 17th ultimo (No. 5), they have further considered the objections of some of the inhabitants to the application of the name "Ladbroke Grove" to the line of thoroughfare between Uxbridge Road and Lancaster Road. It will be in the recollection of the Board that, on the 17th December last, your Committee reported the facts of the case, and recommended that the Order of the Board of the 11th June last should be adhered to, on the ground that there was no sufficient reason for putting the inhabitants to the inconvenience of a second change in the name and number of the houses. Your Committee, since the date of their last report, have received two further letters from inhabitants of the thoroughfare urging the retention of the name "Ladbroke Grove"; but, on the other hand, they have also had before them a memorial addressed to the Vestry of Kensington by a large number of owners and occupiers of houses in the line of thoroughfare, urging that the name "Ladbroke Grove" is an unsuitable one, and likely, if retained, to depreciate their property, and stating that they consider "Stanley Hill" a preferable name. Your Committee, upon a consideration of these altered circumstances, and having regard to the wishes of the majority of the inhabitants, as expressed in the memorial referred to, feel that they cannot adhere to the recommendation which they formerly made, but consider that the wishes of the Memorialists should prevail. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

> That the resolution of the Board of the 11th June, 1869, (No. 13), directing that the line of thoroughfare between Uxbridge Road and Lancaster Road, in the parish of Kensington, be called Ladbroke Grove, and that the houses be re-numbered, be varied so far as relates to the name Ladbroke Grove, and that the said line of thoroughfare be called Stanley Hill.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 17th ultimo, (No. 49), they have considered the amended application of Mr. R. Stone for the consent of the Board to the erection of certain houses and shops next the footway which extends between Wick Lane and Queen's Road, Homerton. Plans for building on this site have been before the Board on two occasions, and sanction to them was refused on account of the narrow width of the way. The applicant now proposes to widen the footway to 30 feet, giving up

a large proportion of his land to the road. A Deputation from the Hackney District Board has attended your Committee, and stated that it was of importance that an opening for carriage traffic from Queen's-road into Wick Lane Road should be made, as at present carriages had to go by a circuitous route, and they expressed the hope that as, from the nature of the property, a road of the full width could not be obtained, the Board would allow the 30 feet road as proposed. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. Thomas Milbourn, on behalf of Mr. J. T. Porter, for the approval by the Board of the line of frontage for certain proposed cottages in Back-lane, Brixton-road, as shown upon the further amended plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 19th November (No. 62). On the 5th November last (No. 10), your Committee reported the facts of this case, and the Board refused to grant the application for building, considering it most desirable that some arrangement should be made for widening the lane in accordance with the wishes of the Vestry of Lambeth. The applicant has now arranged with the Superintending Architect and the Surveyor to the Vestry to give up additional land for the widening of the lane, and the present plan embodies this arrangement. Your Committee have viewed the locality of the proposed buildings, and, after having given the matter careful consideration, beg to recommend that the application be granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
SILAS TAYLOR,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the Order of the Board of the 11th June, 1869, (No. 13), directing that the line of thoroughfare between Uxbridge-road and Lancaster-road, in the Parish of Kensington, be called Ladbroke-grove, and that the houses therein be re-numbered, be varied so far as relates to the name Ladbroke-grove, that the said line of thoroughfare be called "Stanley-hill," and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. R. Stone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of certain houses and shops next the footway which extends between Wick-lane and Queen's-road, Homerton, as shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. Thomas Milbourn on behalf of Mr. J. T. Porter, for the approval by the Board of the erection of certain proposed cottages in Back-lane, Brixton-road, as shown upon the further amended Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

7. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 12th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have under consideration the various Bills referred to them on the 23rd December last and the 7th instant. They have instructed the Solicitor to prepare a Petition against the Belgrave Market Bill, against which the Vestry of Chelsea have also resolved to petition, and also against the Bill of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, for extending their railway to the Mansion House.

With regard to the Chelsea Rectory Bill, that appears to contain nothing which could in any way affect the Board, and it will, therefore, be unnecessary for them to take any action thereon.

The Solicitor has reported that the Arch-street, Newington, Inclosure Bill has been withdrawn.

On the other Bills, your Committee await the Engineer's Report, before considering the course which it may be advisable for the Board to take. They have, however, instructed the Solicitor to retain Counsel, on their behalf, in the matter of the Thames Navigation Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
P. H. LE BRETON,
J. O. HALL,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Hall—That the Report be approved, and that Petitions be prepared and presented against the Belgrave Market Bill and the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill, for extending their line to the Mansion House.

8. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hows—That the Solicitor be instructed to prepare and present a Petition against the Metropolitan Railway Company's Bill.

9. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor handed in a letter, which was read as follows—

Sewers Office, Guildhall, 14th January, 1870.

SIR,—The attention of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London has been drawn to the fact that the Leases of certain houses on the eastern side of Queen Street are about to expire; and a favorable opportunity will thereby be presented to widen and improve the said Street, by purchasing and setting back the premises in question to the improved line already adopted.

The Commissioners are desirous of knowing whether the Metropolitan Board of Works would be willing to co-operate in taking the said property and setting the same back to such improved line.

The premises referred to are Nos. 79, 81, and 82, Queen Street.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW,
Principal Clerk.

JNO. POLLARD, Esq.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

10. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the consideration of the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the Paper of Business for this day, be deferred until the Meeting of the Board on Friday next.

11. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had delivered judgment in the case of Smith v. Earl Brownlow, and he suggested that, as it related to matters affecting commoners' rights in land, the Board would probably authorize him to obtain a copy of the transcript of the short hand writer's notes of the judgment.

Resolved—That the suggestion be acted upon, and that the Solicitor be authorized accordingly.

12. The Solicitor laid before the Board a license to Messrs. Hyam and Co., to lower a portion of the crown of the Irongate Sewer, in Camomile Street, Bishopsgate, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of 1st October last (No. 10).

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said license, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

13. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Freshfields, dated 8th January, 1870, with copy of a writ in an action by Sir Robert Peel against the Board for the recovery of the amount of the Arbitrator's award and costs in connection with his property affected by the works of the Northern Embankment.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Solicitor do enter an appearance to the said writ on behalf of the Board.

14. The Solicitor reported that he understood that there would be no opposition on Standing Orders to the Board's Bill with reference to the Thames Embankment North, Viaduct Roadway to Wellington-street.

15. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. R. Chandler, dated 10th January, 1870, stating that he had been instructed by his client not to proceed with the Arch Street, Newington, Inclosure Bill.

16. The Solicitor laid before the Board a printed Report made to the Holborn District Board of Works by their Surveyor, with reference to Tramway and other Bills of the ensuing Session.

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, and to the Engineer, for consideration.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board a printed copy of particulars and conditions of sale of ground rents in Southwark-street.

18. The Solicitor presented a letter from Messrs. White, Broughton, and White, dated 7th January, 1870, requesting the Board to compensate their client, Mr. Fountaine, for alleged damage to his premises, the "Plume of Feathers," public-house, at Gould's Hill, Lower Shadwell, and reported that he had sent a copy thereof to the Contractor, Mr. Webster.

19. The Solicitor reported that the issue in the action by Mr. T. T. Wing against the Board with reference to certain roadways in Finsbury Park had been delivered, and he suggested that the Board would probably desire to have it tried before a special jury.

Resolved—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be acted upon, and that he be authorized to take the necessary steps accordingly.

20. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 14th January, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are 15 applications for licenses, and 2 for transfer of licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June, and that the licenses in the other cases be transferred to the several persons mentioned in the Schedule.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 23rd December, 1869, to Mr. S. Brett (14,347), be transferred to Mr. Anthony Fearnley Clarkson, 27, Anglesea-road, Plumstead.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 23rd December, 1869, to Mr. W. J. Rowberry (13,032), be transferred to Mr. John White Cottrill, 24, Park-terrace, Regent's-park, St. Marylebone.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of five calendar months and seventeen days from the 14th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
Camberwell	Ray, Benj.	12,291	909, Old Kent Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Duncalfe, Isaac W.	14,647	37, Wells Street, Albany-road	10	Shed ,,
Chelsea	Ashton, Wm.	12,427	36, Sloane Square	20	Yard ,,
,,	Russell, Thos.	12,770	14, Lower George Street, Sloane Square	5	Vault ,,
,,	Hollingsworth, Jas.	14,072	12, Blenheim Terrace, Bond Street	40	Cellar ,,
,,	Miller, Richard	14,639	79, Queen's Road West	10	Shed ,,
Clerkenwell	Griffiths, Jno.	12,844	41, Clerkenwell Green	2	Shop btls.
Lambeth	Talbot, Mary Ann	14,637	12A, Spring Place, Wandsworth Road	10	Yard P. d.
Plumstead	Brett, Stephen	14,655	105, Patterson Road	5	Area ,,
Poplar	Hübschmann, Emil	14,650	12, Market Place, Devon's Road, Bromley	1	Shop btls.
St. Olave, Southwark	Smith, Robert	14,648	38, Thornton Street, Horsely-down	1	,, ,,
Shoreditch	Lane, Jno. Wm.	13,125	69, Bridport Place, Hoxton	2	,, ,,
,,	Burr, B. H.	14,645	68, Haggerston Road	8	Yard P. d.
Strand	Hooper, Wm.	14,644	24, Russell Street, Covent Garden	2	Shop btls.
Woolwich	Pope, Richard	14,621	9, Queen Street	8	Shed P. d.

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

21. The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and the following **motion** and **amendment** thereon, viz.:—

Motion by Mr. Freeman—That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report.

Amendment by Mr. Shaw—That, before seeking an interview with Her Majesty's Government to ascertain their intentions with regard to the question of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, the Board do act upon the recommendation made to Parliament by the Select Committee of the House of Commons in their Report dated 27th June, 1867, on the East London Water Supply Bills, viz.:—That the Metropolitan Board of Works shall have an opportununity of examining the question of a constant supply of water, and of communicating with the Companies on the subject, for the purpose of applying to Parliament, if necessary.

the consideration of which was adjourned on Friday last (No. 69.)

After discussion, it was **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. White—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next, at 2 o'clock p.m.

22. St. Luke, Middlesex.—The Board considered further the Report by the Superintending Architect on the application of Mr. Thomas J. Hill, for permission to extend the building over the gateway next No. 95, Old-street, St. Luke's, leading to Richard's-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, adjourned on Friday last (No. 60.)

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Moreland—That the application be not granted.

23. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Hill, on behalf of Mr. F. Le Lièvre, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a furnace chimney-shaft at No. 28, Hope-street, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

24. The following **notices of motion** were given for the meeting of the Board on Friday next, viz—

By Mr. Dresser Rogers (No. 508)—As to copies of Accounts of expenses incurred for repairs, &c., to Fire Engine Stations.

By Mr. Richardson, (No. 509)—As to the Water Supply of the Metropolis.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 21st instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 3.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **21st** day of **January**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

William Henry Dalton, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 14th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. The Chairman informed the Board that he had communicated to the Treasury the resolution passed by the Board on Friday last, on the subject of the balance of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, and had since received a letter in reply, which was read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the said letter be entered on the Minutes of Proceedings of this day, and be referred to the Finance Committee, and it is entered accordingly—

Treasury Chambers, 19th January, 1870.

Gentlemen,

I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, with reference to your Minute of the 15th instant, forwarded to this Board by Sir John Thwaites, that the mode of carrying out the proposal made by their Lordships in their letter of the 12th instant will be as follows, viz.—

The whole of the moneys legally applicable to the Metropolitan Improvement Fund will be applied, firstly to pay the sum of Ninety two thousand five hundred pounds to the Bank of England, so long as it shall be payable, secondly to provide for the interest due upon the Loan raised under the Act 31, 32 Vic. c. 43, and thirdly, the balance, whatever it may be, will be paid over to you.

This would be without prejudice to the rights of the Bank in the event of any failure in the payments, and, further, without prejudice to such arrangements as may ultimately become necessary for meeting the principal of the Loan at the time it may fall due.

I am, &c.

(Signed) GEO. A. HAMILTON.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Chairman further stated that, on receipt of the foregoing letter, he had paid into the Bank of England to the Account of the National Debt Commissioners, the Cheque for

£500,000 drawn by the Board on the 23rd December last, and had received a receipt for the same. The Chairman also stated that the bonds given by the Board to the Commissioners, and which had been redeemed by the above-mentioned Cheque, would be returned to the Board with the others which would be redeemed by the further payment to be made by them in February next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee.

3. The Chairman stated that one of the Directors and the Manager of the London and Westminster Bank had called upon him on the subject of the amount of the Board's Deposit Account, and represented that the Bank were sustaining a pecuniary loss by having to keep so large an amount at deposit on 24 hours' notice.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor handed in a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London

SHEWETH,

That it having been proposed to remove the Church of St. Mildred, Poultry, within the City of London, under the powers of the Union of Benefices Act, your Memorialists considered it an opportunity not to be neglected of extending the Improvement already commenced at that spot for widening Mansion House Street.

The importance of the Improvement is rendered more particularly evident on account of its being exactly at the point where the new street, constructed by your Honorable Board, to the Mansion House debouches, and the confluence of traffic thereat, now very great, is likely to be largely increased thereby.

Your Memorialists have succeeded in making an arrangement with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of England, by which, when the church is pulled down, a portion of the site, as shown by a red tint upon the accompanying Plan, is to be laid into the public way, for which your Memorialists have agreed to pay to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners the sum of £4,000, independent of all surveying and legal charges in connection therewith.

Your Memorialists now submit the matter to your Honorable Board in the full confidence that, in consideration of the great importance of the said Improvement in connection with the new street, you will liberally aid by a grant of money out of the funds at your disposal towards the cost thereof.

Signed by Order of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London.

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW,
Principal Clerk.

Sewers Office, Guildhall,
20th January, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Read a letter as follows—

London, Sewers Office, Guildhall, January, 20th, 1870.

Re Fenchurch Street Improvement.

DEAR SIR—Yours of the 8th instant on the above subject has been duly received and laid before the Commissioners of Sewers, by whom I am directed to thank the Metropolitan Board for their re-consideration of the terms in which their vote in aid of the improvement was originally granted, and to express the assent of the Commissioners to the terms proposed in yours of the 8th instant.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH DAW.

Jno. Pollard, Esq.

6. Mr. Nicholay handed in a communication from the Vestry of St. Marylebone, which was read as follows—

St. Marylebone, 20th January, 1870.

At the Vestry,

Present—Mr. Churchwarden Chubb, in the Chair.

RESOLVED—That this Vestry is of opinion, that it would be most undesirable to empower the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase up the Water Companies.

Firstly: Because the Vestry believes a constant supply of water in all cases to be unnecessary.

Secondly: Because a constant supply can, where required, now be obtained pursuant to the

15th section of the Metropolitan Water Act of 1852; and

Thirdly: Because the cost of purchasing up the Companies (apart from the expenses which an universal adaptation of the constant supply system would entail) would be enormous; necessarily more than the market value of the property acquired.

This Vestry is further of opinion that the Water Companies should voluntarily, or, in default by the Legislature be compelled, to afford, in cases where desirable, a more frequent supply, so that there should in all cases and at all times, be sufficient for all reasonable requirements.

Extracted from the Minutes.

(Signed) W. E. GREENWELL, Vestry Clerk.

7. Mr. Dresser Rogers handed in a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Vestry of Camberwell, dated 20th January, 1870, with a copy of Clauses which the Vestry are of opinion should be inserted in the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways Bills, and asking the Board to instruct their Counsel to obtain the insertion of them.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded by Mr. Newton—That the said letter and clauses be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills to which they relate.

8. The Board considered further the Report of the Finance Committee, recommending—

"That a cheque be drawn for the sum of £225,000, being the first instalment of the loan of "£460,000 raised by the Board for the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, under the "powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, and that such cheque be handed "to the Managers of the Asylum District on the completion of the mortgage to the satisfaction of "the Solicitor of this Board."

adjourned on Friday last, (No. 2).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque be now drawn for the sum of £225,000, being the first instalment of the loan of £460,000, raised by the Board for the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, under the powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, and that such cheque be handed to the Managers of the Asylum District on the completion of the mortgage to the satisfaction of the Solicitor of this Board and on the sanction of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury being obtained by the managers, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

9. Mr. Le Breton, in the absence of Mr. Collinson, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 17th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have drawn cheques for the following amounts in connexion with the properties required for the Improvements now in progress—

Whitechapel Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Burchell and Hall—		
Sheriffs' Fees—*Re* Manley	17 13 0	
„ Manus	17 13 0	
		35 6 0

Kensington Improvement.

Burchell and Hall—		
Sheriffs' Fees—*re* Wood	..	15 11 0

Stingo Lane Improvement.

Re Levinson—		
Rutter, W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	47 5 0	
Re Green—		
Drummonds, Robinson, and Till—Costs of Title and Conveyance	15 15 0	
Re Gosden—		
Pike, F. C. V.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	18 15 4	
Interest on Purchase-money £4 13 2		
Less Tax 0 1 11		
	4 11 3	
Carried forward	£86 6 7	50 17 0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d
Brought forward	86	6	7	50	17	0
Stingo Lane Improvement.—(*Continued.*)						
Re Salmon						
Steinberg, N. S. E.—Proportion of Wilkinson's Rent, to completion	2	2	2			
				88	8	9
Thames Embankment, North.						
Re Temple Pier Company, Limited—						
Vallance and Vallance—Taxed Costs of Inquiry	178	6	10			
Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited—						
Hire of Arbitration Room, &c.—*re* Ritson	3	14	0			
Re Temple Pier Company, Limited—						
Slowman A.—Sheriff's Officer's Fees	4	14	6			
Longley, F. G.—Witness's Expenses	3	3	0			
				189	18	4
Southern Embankment.						
Re Lambeth Bridge—						
Lambeth Bridge Co.—Purchase-money, Freehold, next Lambeth Bridge	300	0	0			
Hofman and Son—						
Witnesses' expenses—*re* Benthall	2	2	0			
Coleridge, Sir J. D., Q.C.—						
Counsel's Fees—*re* Stiff	101	4	0			
				403	6	0
Mansion House Street.						
Re Miles, Gould, and Co.—						
Miles, Gould, and Co.—Interest on Purchase-money £103 8 6						
Less Tax 2 7 2						
	101	1	4			
Druce, Sons, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	39	0	0			
Miller, Robert, Collector—						
Re St. Antholin—						
Deficiency in Poor Rate, made 24th December, 1869 .. .. .. £45 19 11						
Half-year's Rate in lieu of Tithes, due Christmas, 1869 .. .. .. 16 7 6						
Re St. Mary Mount Haw—						
Deficiency in Poor Rate, made 31st December, 1869 .. .. .. 63 11 3						
	125	18	8			
Gant, John Castle—						
One year's Fee Farm Rent of No. 27, Bucklersbury, to Christmas, 1869 .. .. £5 5 0						
Less Tax 0 2 3						
	5	2	9			
Re St. Augustine Broxbourne—						
Hunt, Wm., Vestry Clerk—						
One Year's Rent Charge on Nos. 44 and 45, Watling Street, to Christmas, 1869 £2 16 0						
Less Tax 0 1 3						
	2	14	9			
Smith, W. A.—						
Witness's Expenses—*re* Chaplin	2	11	2			
				276	8	8
				£1,008	18	9

Your Committee have considered the letter, referred by the Board on the 7th instant (No. 14), from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, suggesting the practicability of a clause being inserted in some Bill in Parliament promoted by this Board for preventing the sewage of any outlying district being brought within the Metropolitan area for purposes of irrigation or otherwise. Your Committee, having conferred with the Solicitor upon this matter, are of opinion that the existing law is amply sufficient for preventing the utilization of sewage for the irrigation of lands within the Metropolitan area, and they recommend—

That a communication be addressed to the District Board, in reply to their letter, informing them to that effect.

It will be remembered that, on the 6th August last, your Committee reported that they had had under consideration the resolution of the Board of the 19th February last, directing that, as the London and South Western Railway Company had then completed their Kensington and Richmond line, the Board's account for the wages paid to the Clerks of Works for supervision, amounting to £63, should be sent to the Company, and authorizing the Engineer to charge a professional fee for examining, revising, and reporting on their plans for proposed sewers and bridges, in pursuance of the Company's Act. It having been then stated that the Company disputed their liability to pay these charges, the Board, upon the recommendation of the Committee, instructed the Solicitor to communicate with the Company in accordance with certain suggestions made by him, and to take such steps as might be necessary to secure to the Board the payment of the ascertained costs. The amount charged in respect of the wages of the Clerks of Works was paid by the Company on the 31st July last, but with regard to the fee charged by the Engineer, amounting to £320, the Company disputed their liability, and many communications have passed between their Solicitor and the Solicitor of the Board on the subject. In the result it was intimated to your Committee that the Company would be disposed to pay the sum of £210 in settlement of the claim, and it appeared to your Committee desirable, under all the circumstances, and with a view of avoiding litigation, to accept that offer. They have now had before them a letter from the Solicitor of the Company, stating that he has received from them a cheque for £210, and that he will be prepared to hand it to the Board's Solicitor in exchange for a receipt by the Board. Your Committee beg to recommend—

That the amount be received, and handed to the Engineer, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 19th February last, allowing him to charge a fee for the works in question.

Your Committee, in compliance with the resolution of the Board of the 7th instant (No. 27), have considered the letter from the Whitechapel District Board, with a copy of a letter from the Rev. P. Dickerson, calling attention to inconvenience caused by the temporary narrowing of the thoroughfare leading from Union-street, Commercial-road, to Little Alie-street, by the works of the Board. Your Committee have instructed the Engineer to give the utmost relief he can in this matter, and they recommend—

That the parties be so informed.

Your Committee have considered the letter from Mr. A. C. Hook, referred by the Board on the 10th December last (No. 54), submitttng a plan for the proposed widening of the existing high road, known as Church-lane, Charlton. This appears to be a matter which should be dealt with by the local authorities, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That Mr. Hook's communication be forwarded to them, and that Mr. Hook be informed thereof.

Your Committee have also given attention to the letter from Mr. Mitchell, suggesting improvements by the widening of certain streets lying between Oxford-street, and Charing Cross, and from Regent-street to Soho-square, referred by the Board on the 10th December last (No. 59). They recommend—

That a communication be addressed to Mr. Mitchell thanking him for his letter.

Your Committee have had before them the plan prepared by the Superintending Architect, showing the proposed arrangement of the building plots in Queen Victoria-street. They are of opinion that this arrangement is, in all respects, a satisfactory and advantageous one, and they beg to submit the plan for your information, and recommend—

That it be approved; that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the several plots, and that it be referred back to your Committee to receive the tenders, under the authority already conferred upon them by the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from Messrs. Spicer Brothers and others, referred on the 10th December last (No. 58), objecting to the District Surveyor's charges of £1 11s. 6d. for inspecting the temporary structure erected outside their houses in Bridge-street, Blackfriars, on the occasion of Her Majesty's late visit to the City. Your Committee have received from the Superintending Architect, a report stating that complaints having been received as to the unsafe nature of some of the erections put up by private owners and others, with the view of letting or occupying them to see the procession, instructions were issued to District Surveyors whose Districts were in the line of Her Majesty's route to the City, directing them, as on former occasions, to inspect the works; that the Board approved of that step, and, on accounts being submitted for the appointment of special fees for the several services performed, the recommendations for fees on a modified scale were approved and intimated to the several Surveyors interested. Your Committee find that the fee referred to by Messrs. Spicer Brothers was one of those so appointed at £1 11s. 6d., and that it was considered a moderate sum, as the structure was for the use of at least 500 persons. It further appears that, in most cases, on the occasion referred to, alterations and additional supports were deemed necessary for the safety of the public; and, under all the circumstances, your Committee are of opinion that the fee charged by the District Surveyor should be confirmed, and they recommend accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
R. FREEMAN,
W. H. DALTON,
Wm. NEWTON,
C. H. ELT.

The Plan of the building plots in Queen Victoria Street, referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Lewisham District Board of Works be informed, in reply to their letter suggesting the practicability of a clause being inserted in some Bill in Parliament promoted by this Board, for preventing the sewage of any outlying District being brought within the Metropolitan area for the purposes of irrigation or otherwise, that this Board are of opinion that the existing law is amply sufficient for preventing the utilization of sewage for the irrigation of lands within the Metropolitan area.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the sum of £210 forwarded by the London and South Western Railway Company to the Board, in respect of the Engineer's professional fee for examining, revising, and reporting upon their plans of proposed sewers and bridges in connexion with their Kensington and Richmond line, be received by the Board, and be handed to the Engineer, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 19th February last, allowing him to charge a fee for the works in question.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, it was resolved—That a cheque for the above-mentioned sum of £210 be drawn in favour of the Engineer of the Board, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the course taken by the Committee with reference to the letter from the Whitechapel District Board, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Rev. P. Dickerson, calling attention to inconvenience caused by the temporary narrowing of the thoroughfare leading from Union Street, Commercial Road, to Little Alie street, by the works of the Board, be approved, and that the parties be informed of the steps which have been taken.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the communication from Mr. A. C. Hook, submitting a Plan for the proposed widening of the existing high road known as Church-lane, Charlton, be forwarded to the Local Authorities, and that Mr. Hook be informed thereof.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That a communication be addressed to Mr. Mitchell, thanking him for his letter, suggesting improvements by the widening of certain streets lying between Oxford-street and Charing Cross, and from Regent-street to Soho-square.

It was **moved** by Mr. Le Breton and seconded—That the Plan of the proposed plots in Queen Victoria-street, now submitted, be approved; that advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the several plots, and that it be referred back to the Committee to receive the Tenders under the authority already conferred upon them by the Board.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Richardson, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the several plots, Nos. 1 to 4, and 44 to 49 inclusive, in Queen Victoria-street, be submitted to public auction.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—20.		Against the Amendment—9.	
Barker, C. S., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Elt, C. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L. Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Gibbons, S. J. Esq., Ald. Deputy.	
Hogg, Col. J. M.		Legg, C., Esq.	
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.		
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
Meaden, G. P., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.		
Moreland, J., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.		
Newton, W., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Richardson.		Teller—Mr. Le Breton.	

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**, whereupon an **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded—That the land in Queen Victoria-street, comprised in the plots severally numbered 1 to 4 and 44 to 49 inclusive on the Plan now produced, be submitted to public auction in such lots as the Works and General Purposes Committee may determine.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion**, was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from Messrs. Spicer Brothers, and others, objecting to the District Surveyor's fee of £1 11s. 6d., for inspecting the temporary structure erected outside their houses in Bridge-street, Blackfriars, on the occasion of the opening of Blackfriars Bridge and the Holborn Viaduct by Her Majesty, be approved, and that the fee be confirmed.

10. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 18th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Sub-Engineer Thomas Sharp has requested that he may be relieved from his duties as an Officer, as, through want of education, he feels himself unequal to the duty of taking charge of a Station. The Chief Officer reports that Sharp is an excellent and trustworthy member of the Brigade, and your Committee recommend—

That his request be complied with, and that he be replaced in the First-Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report that Sub-Engineer James E. Potter, and Fourth-Class Fireman William H. Wass, have tendered their resignations, and they recommend—

That they be accepted.

The retirement of Sub-Engineers Sharp and Potter, will cause two vacancies in that rank, and your Committee recommend the following promotions consequent thereon, viz:—

First-Class Firemen William Byfield and George Miles to the rank of Sub-Engineers.
Second-Class Fireman James Bennett to the rank of First-Class Fireman.
Third-Class Fireman William F. Clarke to the rank of Second-Class Fireman.

Your Committee have further to report, that there are now two vacancies in the Brigade, and they recommend the appointment of Thomas G. Ashford and Charles Wilson in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

The attention of your Committee was directed some time since to the fact that the canvas shoots of the Fire Escapes occasionally caught fire from the burning houses against which they were placed, and they instructed the Chief Officer to report as to the best means of rendering the canvas uninflammable. The subject has been for some time under the consideration of the Chief Officer, and he has now reported that there is nothing that he can suggest except to soak the canvas in a solution of alum and water, and that he can hardly recommend the adoption of that process, as in the wet weather the solution would be soon washed off, and the operation would have to be continually repeated, thus entailing much trouble and expense, and the final result would only be that the canvas would smoulder instead of blazing. Captain Shaw proposes, however, to make some further experiments in the matter, but he states, as the result of his experience, that many of the chemicals hitherto tried for the purpose of rendering the escapes uninflammable have a tendency to rot the canvas and to produce dry rot in the wood. Your Committee bring the matter under the notice of the Board in the hope that, by this means, public attention may be directed to the matter, and that some suggestions may be received which may assist in effecting the desired end.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
E. J. THOMPSON,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That the request of Sub-Engineer Thomas Sharp to be relieved from his duties as an officer, be complied with, and that he be replaced in the First-Class of Firemen.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of Sub-Engineer James E. Potter, and Fourth-Class Fireman William H. Wass, be accepted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That the following promotions be made in the Brigade consequent on the retirement of Sub-Engineers Thomas Sharp and James E. Potter, viz.—

First-Class Firemen	William Byfield and George Miles	to the rank of	Sub-Engineers.		
Second „	„ James Bennett	„	„	First-Class Fireman.	
Third „	„ William F. Clarke	„	„	Second „	„

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That Thomas G. Ashford and Charles Wilson be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

11. The Board considered further the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, recommending—

> That a nursery for the growth of young trees be formed in Southwark Park, at the rear of the building land in Gomm Road, at an estimated cost of £225.

adjourned on the 10th December last, (No. 24).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That a nursery, for the growth of young trees, be formed in Southwark Park, at the rear of the building land in Gomm-road, at an estimated cost of £225.

12. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the Paper of Business for this day, be deferred until the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, and that it be taken at Two o'clock on that day.

13. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the following **motion** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day be adjourned until Friday next, viz.—

> "That a return be made of copies of Accounts of all expenses incurred in the repair of the "several Fire Engine Stations, giving dates of execution of work, and name of Contractor; and "also of accounts showing the cost of the adaptation of any premises to the purpose of a Fire Engine "Station, from the time of the transfer of the Fire Brigade to the Board, up to Christmas, 1869."

14. The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and the following **motion** and **amendment** thereon, viz.—

Motion by Mr. Freeman—That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report.

Amendment by Mr. Shaw—That, before seeking an interview with Her Majesty's Government to ascertain their intentions with regard to the question of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, the Board do act upon the recommendation made to Parliament by the Select Committee of the House of Commons in their Report dated 27th June, 1867, on the East London Water Supply Bills, viz.—That the Metropolitan Board of Works shall have an opportunity of examining the question of a constant supply of water, and of communicating with the Companies on the subject, for the purpose of applying to Parliament, if necessary.

the consideration of which was adjourned on Friday last (No. 21.)

After discussion, the **amendment** was put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	

Teller—Mr. Shaw.

Against the Amendment—15.

Barker, C. S., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Saunders J. E., Esq.
Gibbons, S.J., Esq., Ald.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next, at two o'clock.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the debate be adjourned until this day fortnight, at two o'clock.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly,

15. The Board considered further the application of the Board of Works for the Plumstead District for their sanction to a loan of £900, for Sewerage works in the Liberty of Kidbrooke.

Whereupon it was **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, in the County of Kent, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction in writing to the borrowing and taking up at interest, by the said District Board, of the sum of £900, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said District Board in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, on the credit of the Rates authorised to be raised by the said District Board, under the said Acts, in the Liberty of Kidbrooke, the same being for purposes connected with the sewerage of the said Liberty of Kidbrooke, and to be borrowed on the credit of the Sewer Rates of the said Liberty. **And whereas**, this Board having duly considered the matter of the said application, resolved that the application of the Plumstead District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £900 for the execution of Sewerage works in the Liberty of Kidbrooke should be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments, within a period of five years, and the rate of Interest not to exceed 5 per centum per annum. Therefore it is **ordered**—That the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Plumstead District, on the security of the Sewer

Rates of the said Liberty of Kidbrooke, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £900 for or towards defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said Works of Sewerage, at a rate of interest not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum; the principal of such loan to be repaid by five equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. M. Dale, Clerk to the Plumstead District Board, dated 19th January, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a sealed copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

16. The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 6), directing Ladbroke-grove to be re-named "Stanley-hill."

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that the same be transmitted to the Vestry of Kensington, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st January, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
PLUMSTEAD.				
Extension of sewer in Manor-lane, Manor-park, High-road, Lee	1,000	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	½ brick.	Recommended for approval, subject to the ground being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
HAMPSTEAD.				
Intended new road from Lawn-road, through Bartram's-park, to High-road from Hampstead to London	369	3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
	413	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	1 brick.	
	171	12 inch.	Pipe.	
Intended new roads on the Williams Estate, known as the Allotment Ground, leading from High-street to Willow-road	About 470	3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″	1 brick.	Recommended for approval as altered on sections.
	251	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
	502	12 inch.	Pipe.	
Birchington-road, Kilburn, from Mutrix-road to the Ranelagh Main Sewer ..	178	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
WANDSWORTH.				
Gwynne-road, Battersea ..	800	15 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of the Vestry of St. Marylebone, for permission to stop up Devonshire-street, Lisson-grove, for a period of twenty-one days for the execution of paving works therein; recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of Devonshire-street, Lisson-grove, by the Vestry of St. Marylebone, for the purpose of executing paving works therein, for a period of twenty-one days, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

19. The Engineer laid before the Board his Report, dated 19th January, 1870, on Parliamentary Bills, for Tramways and other schemes affecting the Metropolis, to be introduced in the ensuing Session.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be received, that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, that a copy thereof be sent to each Vestry and District Board, and that it be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

20. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 20th January, 1870.

On a further letter from the Fulham District Board, stating that the steam still continued to escape from the several ventilating shafts in the vicinity of the Broadway, occasioned by the hot water discharged into the sewers from the Hammersmith and City Railway Company's works, and requesting the Board to institute immediate proceedings against the Company to prevent this.

The Board had this matter under consideration on the 17th December last (No. 33), and in compliance with their instructions, a communication was sent to the Solicitors of the Company, requiring that the objectionable practice might be at once desisted from. As, however, beyond their acknowledging the receipt of the letter, nothing has apparently been done to remedy the complaint, I beg now to recommend that the Solicitor be instructed to take peremptory proceedings against the Company to enforce the discontinuance of the practice.

I should add that the hot water is discharged into a *local* sewer, but as this sewer is immediately connected with the Board's main lines, these are injuriously affected by the discharge.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do take peremptory proceedings against the Company with a view to enforce the discontinuance of the practice complained of.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th January, 1870, recommending the execution of the following Works under the General Contracts, viz.—

	£	s.	d
Repairs to roofs and buildings at the Southern Outfall Works, Crossness	67	0	0
One new side entrance to the Ravensbourne and Sydenham Sewer, between Catford Bridge and Rushey Green	33	5	0
Re-construction of 4 gullies in Kensington Palace Gardens, on the slope of the hill towards Kensington Gate.	26	0	0
Total ..	£126	5	0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th January, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Fowler, submitting for the approval of the Board a Plan for carrying a flue, from the Temple Station of the Metropolitan District Railway, under the Approach-road to Norfolk-street from the Thames Embankment.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

23. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th January, 1870, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 7th instant (No. 42), on complaints of nuisance in the neighbourhood of Hackney-wick, arising from the discharge of drainage from paraffin, naptha, and other factories into the Low Level Sewer; stating that he had had an examination made of the sewer, and that the Medical Officer and Surveyor of the Hackney District Board had both been seen upon the subject; that from the result of the examination and inquiry, he was led to believe that the greatest amount of nuisance was caused by the discharge from the White Post-lane main sewer into the Low Level line; that by the construction of a couple of brick syphons, each about 30 feet long, one in the main sewer near its outlet, and the other in the Low Level Sewer near the point of junction, with a flap at the outer end of each syphon, the stench would be prevented from passing up the sewer and pervading the neighbourhood referred to, and recommending that the work be carried out at a probable cost not exceeding £50.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

24. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th January, 1870, on a letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, requesting the Board to extend the Main Sewer in the Edgware-road, Kilburn, for a length of about 850 feet, to receive the drainage of the British Land Company's Estate, and of the adjoining lands where laid out for building; stating that the Board's Main Sewer referred to extended to a point where it takes the valley drainage on the west side of the Edgware-road, and which has always been considered the termination of the main line, and that he was not prepared to recommend a compliance with the request of the Vestry, as it appeared to him that the parties interested in buildings in the locality should construct the requisite sewer at their own cost.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

25. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
21st January, 1870.

Petroleum Acts, 1862 and 1868.

Memorandum relative to Licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying Schedule there are eleven applications for Licenses.

All the premises having been inspected and the arrangements for storing of nine of the applicants being found satisfactory, I recommend that Licenses be granted till the end of June.

The premises of Mr. F. Winsland, 32, Oxford-terrace, King's-road, Chelsea, and Mr. J. Salmon, 143, Queen's-crescent, Malden-road, St. Pancras, (Nos. 2 and 10 on the Agenda,) not being fit, I recommend a refusal.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the applications of Mr. F Winsland, 32, Oxford-terrace, King's-road, Chelsea, (14,680), and Mr. Joseph Salmon, 143, Queen's-crescent, Malden-road, St. Pancras, (14,636), for licenses, be refused.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of five calendar months and ten days from the 21st instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
Bethnal Green.	Myers, Wm.	14,672	38, Barnet Street, Hackney Road.	1	Shop btls.
Fulham.	Robbins, Saml.	14,649	73, Masbro Road, North, Blythe Lane, Hammersmith.	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Davies, Owen	14,673	177, King Street, Hammersmith.	10	,, ,,
Islington.	Defriez, Richd.	14,668	92, Packington Street.	1	Shop btls.
,,	Saunders, Benj.	14,679	6, Athelstane Terrace, Stroud Green Lane.	5	Whse.P.d.
Lambeth.	Beecham, T. G.	14,183	103, Westminster Bridge Road.	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Lewis, and Co.	14,689	8, Branksome Terrace, Acre Lane, Brixton.	1 qt.	,, ,,
Plumstead.	Marsh, R.	14,660	High Road, Lee.	5	Whse.P.d.
Shoreditch.	Aylard, J.	14,667	14, St. John's Road. Hoxton.	15	Yard P.d.

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

26. Read a Report as follows—

January 21st, 1870.

The Thames Embankment, North, Roadway Bill.

Sir W. Tite, M.P., consents to his name being used, and probably the Board will wish me to apply to Mr. Smith, M.P. for Westminster, or if he refuse, to any other gentleman who may consent. The Board will no doubt refer the Bill, with Lord Redesdale's remarks, to the Parliamentary Committee.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee accordingly.

27. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Fulham, Hammersmith, and City Railway, and the Islington Railway Bills, were not to be proceeded with.

28. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that, in the proceedings against the European Assurance Society, the Society had delivered Pleas ; that the Board had taken issue, and that the Record was complete, and recommending that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, in connection with the former reference.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the former reference, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting for sealing the Answer of the Board to the Bill in Chancery filed by the Governors of St. Thomas's Hospital.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Answer ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting a copy of the transcript of the short-hand writer's notes of the judgment of the Master of the Rolls in the cause of Smith *v.* Earl Brownlow, obtained pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 11).

Resolved—That the said copy transcript be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

31. Read a Report as follows—

January 21st, 1870.

RITSON.

This case has been before the Arbitrators appointed by the order of the Judge ; and the plaintiff has prepared a very long statement of the grounds of his claim, the consideration of this has led to very much discussion, and to a proposal which all parties seem to think beneficial for a reference of the whole matter to Mr. Bazalgette, as sole Arbitrator. It would not be convenient to discuss such a matter before the Board, but probably the Board will instruct the Works Committee to investigate the subject, and consider the proposal, and take all such steps as they may think fit with reference to the conduct of the case, and the adjustment of the claim and any matters arising out of it.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

32. Read a Memorial from Messrs. Browne and Eagle, requesting the Board to instruct the District Surveyor of Whitechapel, Mr. Harry Oliver, not to take any further proceedings on the magistrate's decision with respect to the cubical contents of their wool warehouses in Leman, Duncan, and Nelson-streets, Whitechapel, and requesting that they might be permitted to have an interview with the Board on the subject of the memorial.

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the District Surveyor and the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

33. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. S. Edwards, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board, dated 5th January, 1870, with reference to the complaint by Mr. William Morgan, of the condition of the roadway and footpaths of Thicket-road, Penge, stating that the formation of the road was being carried out under contract with an experienced Contractor in accordance with a specification prepared by the District Board's Surveyor of Highways ; that the work was still incomplete, but when finished, they entertained no doubt but that it would be alike satisfactory to themselves and the inhabitants of the District.

34. Read a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 6th January, 1870, requesting the Board to pass the necessary Orders for re-numbering the houses in James-street, Henry-street, and Little Orford-street.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

35. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. A. Lillifant, Accountant to the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, dated 7th January, 1870, with a Cheque for £25 for rent of land belonging to the Board at Barking Creek, for the half-year ending 25th December, 1869, and reported that the Cheque had been handed to the Cashier of the Board.

The Bankers' Pass Book, containing an entry of the said Cheque was laid before the Board.

36. Read a letter from Mr. R. B. Grantham, Chairman of the Committee of the British Association on the treatment and utilization of sewage, dated 12th January, 1870, thanking the Board for their assistance in the investigation of the subject of the utilization of sewage, and requesting them to subscribe towards the cost of the investigation.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

37. Read a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 11th January, 1870, requesting the Board to order their Contractor to provide for the traffic of Trinity-street and Plough-road, while the main sewer works are in progress there, and forwarding a copy of the Report of the Medical Officer to the Vestry on the subject.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer for report.

38. Read a letter from Mr. John Baker, dated 11th January, 1870, calling attention to the condition of New North-road, Old Brentford.

Resolved—That Mr. Baker be informed that the locality he refers to is beyond this Board's jurisdiction.

39. Read a letter from Mr. J. Dangerfield, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, dated 13th January, 1870, with a copy of a letter addressed by the Vestry to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, &c., urging that the surplus land re-claimed from the foreshore of the River Thames should be kept as an open space, and be not used for building purposes.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former reference on the same subject.

40. The Clerk laid before the Board communications from the undermentioned parties objecting to the substitution of the name "Stanley Hill," for that of Ladbroke Grove, viz.—

Mr. G. Goodwin, Sen., and Messrs. G. and T. Goodwin, on behalf of themselves and the tenants of their four houses in Ladbroke-grove, 24 houses in Ladbroke-crescent and in Cambridge-terrace.

Mr. J. Millard, No. 9, Ladbroke-grove, dated 20th January, 1870.

„ R. W. Hooke, No. 8, Ladbroke-grove, dated 18th January, 1870.

„ S. Fisher, No. 11, Ladbroke-grove, dated 20th January, 1870.

„ J. Stuart, No. 4, Ladbroke-grove, dated 20th January, 1870.

„ J. Scarborough, No. 6, Ladbroke-grove, dated 20th January, 1870.

„ J. Gray, No. 1, Ladbroke-grove.

„ W. White, No. 1, Cambridge-gardens, Ladbroke Grove-road, on behalf of himself and the tenants of his two houses in Ladbroke-Grove-road and 23 houses in Cambridge-gardens.

Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 21st January, 1870, stating that the Vestry had rescinded their previous resolution in favour of the name "Stanley Hill," and had passed a further resolution recommending that the name "Ladbroke Grove" be retained.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

41. Read a letter from Mr. R. Ellis, Clerk to the Vestry of Hackney, dated 15th January, 1870, with a copy of a resolution of the Vestry, stating that, in their opinion, it is not desirable that the Great Eastern Railway Company should be permitted to retain their cutting across the Downs as an open cutting.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

42. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beck and Lee, on behalf of the Improved Industrial Dwellings Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop, one storey in height, on the forecourt of the house No. 434 (late 219) Bethnal Green-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed 15 feet, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

43. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on a letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, Surveyor of the District of Hammersmith, relative to an infringement by Mr. Everett, of the conditions imposed by the Order of the Board of the 1st July, 1864, (No. 26), with respect to giving up the vacant land in front of shops and houses in New-road, Shepherd's Bush.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

44. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Gooding, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses, on the site of certain shed buildings, in Park-street, Hackney Wick, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that, previously to commencing the new building, the vacant space in front of the whole of the applicant's property be added to the public way, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

45. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. T. Pilditch, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of certain buildings proposed to be erected next Gloucester-road, and also the entrance to a proposed Mews, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed buildings be kept to a line drawn from the front of the shop at the north corner of Harrington-road to the corner of the "Hereford Arms" public-house, in Gloucester-road, as shown by a blue line on the Plan; that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the ground in front of such line be added to the footway, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Thomas, on behalf of Mr. E. Waltham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a wing-addition and a portico with steps at Watcombe House, Stockwell Green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed wing-addition be kept back to the line of the adjoining houses; that the portico and steps be also kept back a like distance, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Hall, on behalf of the owners of the houses Nos. 320, 322, and 324, Kennington Park-road, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of such houses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

48. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Samuel Plimsoll, for the consent of the Board to the erection of

shops, one storey in height, on the forecourts of certain houses in Rockingham-row West New Kent-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shops do not exceed 15 feet in height; that the shop at the corner of Meadow-row be rounded off to a radius of not less than six feet, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Vaughan, for the approval by the Board of an enclosed porch, with a room over it, erected at Owthorpe House, Upper Eglinton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Rotherhithe.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Jonas Clark, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to two houses in Jamacia Level, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. St. Giles-in-the-Fields.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Philip Webb, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico and bay-window to the house, No. 19, Lincoln's-inn-fields, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. St. Pancras—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. R. Bonny, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of certain houses situate in Camden-road, between the Canal and Brecknock-street, and also to the erection of a house and shop at the corner of Camden-road and Brecknock-street, and houses and offices in Brecknock-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed buildings in Brecknock-street be kept to a line drawn from the corner of the back wall of the house or building fronting to Camden-road, to the corner of the projection of the buildings in Brecknock-street; that previously to the commencement of building operations, the vacant ground between the proposed buildings and the pavement be given up to the public, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

53. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. R. Furniss, on behalf of Mr. J. Bush, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 185, Kentish Town-road, and also shops in the rear, next Prince of Wales-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

54. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Richardson and Waghorn, on behalf of Mr. John Day, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in Bassett-street, at the corner of Queen's-crescent, Kentish Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

55. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Cocks, for the consent of the Board to the construction of projecting eaves to a villa at Wandsworth Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

56. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. G. Clements, on behalf of Messrs. Braby and Co., for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron roof, to be supported on iron columns, at Victoria Wharf, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

57. Hackney—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Stapleton and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open shed at Brookland Farm, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted.

58. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. John M'Namara, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a photographic building at the rear of the house, No. 15, Southgate-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the framework of the building be constructed of iron, to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

59. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Bradford, on behalf of Messrs. Pontifex and Sons, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a temporary boiler and a furnace chimney-shaft on a plot of ground in Albion-street, King's-cross.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

60. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Joseph and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the re-construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the premises, No. 13, Thomas-street, Stamford-street, Blackfriars.

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

61. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Beanes, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the Falcon Works, Wallis road, Hackney-wick.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

62. St. Giles-in-the-Fields.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Cotton, on behalf of Messrs. Combe and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their Cooperage in Broad-street and Short's-gardens.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

63. St. Olave, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. N. Edard, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two sheds, with lean-to roofs of corrugated iron, in Morgan's-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that iron be substituted for wood in the supports of the sheds, and that the whole of the work be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

64. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January, 1870 on the application of the Rev. R. P. Clemenger, for permission to retain a temporary iron schoolroom, erected in King's-road, for a further period.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

65. Chelsea (Detached).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Philip Wilkinson, on behalf of Mr. Hunter, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a block of buildings on the site of the "Portobello Arms" public house, and for the formation of a road, twenty feet wide, with one entrance, in the rear of houses in Kensal-road, and of the name "Viner-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the line of the buildings in Kensal-road be kept back as shown on the Plan; that the proposed road be paved throughout, and that a second entrance to it be at once provided, and that the proposed name be approved.

66. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Penny, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of High-street, Homerton, and a narrow outlet from it to connect it with Church Road, and of the name "Boyd-street" for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the passage-way to connect the new road with Church-road, be paved throughout.

67. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Armstrong, on behalf of Mr. William Tullett, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, 40 feet in width for a portion of its length, and 20 feet for the remainder, to lead from Westow-hill to Camden-hill-road, Upper Norwood, and of the name "Beardell-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that that portion of the proposed street, which is proposed to be 20 feet wide, be flagged throughout, and that the name be approved.

68. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Nixon, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in Wandsworth-road, houses and shops in South Lambeth-road, and houses in Wyvil-street, South Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

69. St. Luke Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Collier, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three paved courts, 20 feet in width, on the site of Peerless Pool, Baldwin-street, City Road, and of the names "Whitlock-street," "Coppin-street," and "Colthurst-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

70. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Parratt, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building at the corner of Winstanley-road, Clapham Junction, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the narrow roadway adjoining the proposed building be flagged for the whole length of the applicant's property.

71. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr Charles Lee, on behalf of Mr. J. T. Leader, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Burston-road to Ravenna-road, Putney, and of the name "Ulva-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

72. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Strange, for the consent of the Board to the substitution of the name, "Grovedale-road" for Finley-street, as sanctioned by the Board on the 10th December, last (No. 38), for a new street to lead from Red Cap-lane to St. John's-road, Holloway, and of the names "Normandy-road" and "Manorville-road" for the streets at each end of Finley-street.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted.

73. Lambeth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Bean, and other residents in Norwood-lane, requesting that the name "Norwood-road" might be substituted for the existing name of the thoroughfare.

Resolved and **Ordered** pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862—That the application be granted; that the name "Norwood-road" be substituted for that of Norwood-lane, in the Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

74. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th January, 1870 on the application of Mr. John Trott, for the substitution of the name "Stafford-street," for "Emery-street," Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

75. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Power, Surveyor of the District of the Southern Division of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of a special fee for services performed by him in endeavouring to enforce the Rules of the Metropolitan Building Act, with respect to a hot water heating apparatus erected in three storeys of the warehouse of Messrs. Welch, No. 44, Gutter-lane, Cheapside, and subsequently supervising the necessary amendments of the works; recommending that a fee of £4 8s. 9d. be allowed to the District Surveyor, and stating that payment of the penalty of £2 imposed by the Magistrate in the case would not be made to any person except the official representative of the Board.

Resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorized to demand and receive a special fee of £4 8s. 9d., in respect of the services referred to, and that application be made to the Clerk of the Justices at Guildhall, on behalf of the Board, for the penalty of £2 imposed by the Magistrate for neglect in not giving notice.

76. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th January, 1870, on application of Mr. Henry Parsons, Surveyor of the District of the Southern Division of Lambeth and part of Camberwell, for the appointment by the Board of special fees for services rendered by him in certifying for the removal of chimney breasts at two houses situate in Robert-street and Cornwall-road, Brixton.

Resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a fee of ten shillings in respect of each of the services referred to.

77. Metropolis.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th January, 1870, relative to the Tramway Bills intended to be introduced into Parliament during the ensuing Session.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

78. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Brown, for the consent of the Board to the construction of barge-boards to a detached house in Devonshire-road, Wandsworth-road, as shown upon the drawing accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

79. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Return—

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters received by each Inspector with the amount of Fees received for the same, for the Quarter ending Christmas, 1869.

Weeks ending	Number of Meters.				Fees Received.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Deth-ridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion Street, Spitalfields.	Castle Street, Southwark.	St. Ann Street, Westminster.	Total.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Oct. 2.	305	397	441	1,143	9 4 6	13 18 0	13 6 6	36 9 0
,, 9.	292	475	695	1,462	9 0 0	14 19 6	23 18 0	47 17 6
,, 16.	287	301	515	1,103	8 16 0	9 13 0	26 12 6	45 1 6
,, 23.	254	416	595	1,265	7 11 0	17 13 0	20 9 0	45 13 0
,, 30.	224	291	579	1,094	6 3 0	11 11 6	20 8 0	38 2 6
Nov. 6.	334	214	502	1,050	10 15 6	9 15 6	20 4 6	40 15 6
,, 13.	221	312	741	1,274	6 13 0	9 15 6	21 12 6	38 1 0
,, 20.	306	282	624	1,212	9 19 6	12 5 0	22 19 6	45 4 0
,, 27.	258	326	683	1,267	9 2 0	12 1 6	22 2 6	43 6 0
Dec. 4.	169	441	478	1,088	6 18 6	14 1 0	15 15 6	36 15 0
,, 11.	277	299	592	1,168	10 11 0	10 17 0	18 13 6	40 1 6
,, 18.	393	347	487	1,227	12 2 0	12 5 6	15 0 6	39 8 0
,, 25.	461	393	577	1,431	14 17 6	13 12 6	18 2 6	46 12 6
TOTALS..	3,781	4,494	7,509	15,784	121 13 6	162 8 6	259 5 0	543 7 0

Spring Gardens, 13th January, 1870. (Signed) E. CRESY.

Summary of Gas Meters received, and fees received for the same, for the year ending Christmas, 1869.

For the Quarter ending,	Meters received.	Fees received.
Lady Day	14,173 ..	£496 12 0
Midsummer	13,132 ..	£426 17 6
Michaelmas	12,998 ..	£440 9 0
Christmas	15,784 ..	£543 7 0
Total	56,087 ..	£1,907 5 6

Spring Gardens, 13th January, 1870. (Signed) E. CRESY.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 28th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 4

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **28th** day of **January**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Joseph Moreland, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
AlexanderNesbittShaw, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
William Newton, Esq.
PhilipHemeryLeBreton, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
John Clyde Hall, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Col. James MacnaghtenHogg
George Hudson, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 21st instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Mr. Legg handed in a letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 28th January, 1870, stating that they contemplated widening and improving the south end of Blue Anchor-lane, at an estimated cost of £300, exclusive of professional charges, and requesting the Board to contribute towards the expense.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Mr. Phillips handed in the following letter—

The Board of Works for the Strand District,
5, Tavistock Street, Covent Garden, W.C.
27th January, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I beg leave to forward you copy of a resolution passed by this Board last evening, and shall be obliged by your submitting the same to the Metropolitan Board of Works at its next meeting.

On the Motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Bonsor, it was—
Resolved *nem. con.*

"That, in the opinion of this Board, it is desirable that some early means be adopted "for securing a readier supply of water for engines attending fires, and that the Clerk be "instructed to write to the Metropolitan Board of Works recommending their earnest "attention to the question."

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS,
Clerk to the Board.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Special Committee of the Whole Board on the Loans Act.
Spring Gardens, 24th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 26th November last (No. 8), referring it to them to consider and report as to the expediency and propriety of converting into Consolidated Stock the whole or part of the remaining indebtedness of the Board in respect of the Southwark and Westminster Communication, and the carrying to the Consolidated Loans Fund, the Sinking Fund formed for the payment of that indebtedness; also to consider and report what other sums are to be carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund, and generally as to the application of the said Fund. Your Committee have given much and careful consideration to this subject, and, to assist them in their inquiries, have, as instructed by the Board, taken Counsel's opinion on several points, amongst others, whether the Board were bound to raise in the Consolidated Rate a sum equivalent to 3d. in the £, specially for Main Drainage purposes, or whether they could pay the whole or portion of the instalments of principal of that debt, as they became due, out of the Consolidated Loans Fund, or out of the proceeds of Consolidated Stock. Sir R. Palmer and Mr. Manisty have advised that the Board have no option but to raise a sum equal to 3d. in the £ for Main Drainage purposes, and to apply the sum so raised in payment of interest and liquidation of principal of the Main Drainage debt. This being so, it appears to your Committee that there would be no advantage in applying the £152,000 Sinking Fund formed in respect of the loan of £300,000 from the Bank of England for the purposes of the Southwark and Westminster Communication, to any other purpose than towards the repayment of that loan, although Counsel have advised that, under the Loans Act, the Board may legally carry the amount to the Loans Fund for general application. Your Committee, have prepared an estimate of the amounts to be carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund, and of the sums to be charged thereto, which they herewith beg to submit for the approval of the Board; and they recommend that the Chairman be requested to submit the estimate to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury for their sanction.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
JOHN SAVAGE.

ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR 1870, OF THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND, ESTABLISHED UNDER THE ACT 32-33 VICT., c. 102, s. 26.

(Including Receipts and Payments from 11th August, 1869, the date of the passing of the Act.)

Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Rents of Property (sec. 27, par. 1, of the Act)—			
Amount received since the passing of the Act, or estimated as to be received during the Year 1870	6,803	0	0
,, Sale of Ground Rents (sec. 27, par. 1, of the Act)—			
Southwark and Westminster Communication, estimated produce	50,000	0	0
,, Metropolitan District Railway Company (under sec. 27, par. 1, of the Act)—			
Amounts received for Land, &c., on the Thames Embankment, since the passing of the Act 32-33 Vict., c. 102, or due by the 1st January, 1871—			
Received £44,414 7 7			
Receivable—			
Principal, 1st July, 1870 £75,000 0 0			
Interest by 1st January, 1871 5,625 0 0			
80,625 0 0			
	125,039	7	7
,, Residue of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund (sec. 27., par. 2, of the Act)—			
Estimate of Coal and Wine Duties £192,500 0 0			
Half of £185,000 to be paid to Bank of England £92,500 0 0			
Interest on Loan of £1,850,000.			
The amount now taken up is £1,250,000. Nothing more will probably be required this quarter—(say) Interest payable will be one Year on £1,500,000 60,000 0 0			
152,500 0 0			
	40,000	0	0
,, Amount receivable from the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District on Loan of £460,000 (under sec. 37 of the Act)—			
Interest £15,005 0 0			
Principal 7,666 13 4			
	22,671	13	4
,, Amount of Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, created in respect of the Loan of £300,000, which was repaid to the Bank of England on 1st December, 1869. The Sinking Fund is carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund per sec. 35 of the Act and applied towards repayment of the Loan (see Contra)	152,000	0	0
,, Interest on Cash Balances	2,000	0	0
	£398,514	0	11

Cr.

(Per sec. 28 of the Act.)

	£	s.	d.
By Dividends on Stock	91,968	0	0
,, Purchase (in October) of One-sixtieth of the Stock (say)	42,000	0	0
,, Payment of Principal of Securities granted before the passing of Act, 32-33 Vict. c. 102, viz:—			
Portion of Loan of £300,000 paid 1st December, 1869 £152,000 0 0			
Other Securities 46,520 19 3			
	198,520	19	3
,, Discounts on prompt payment of Instalments of Loan of £2,500,000, (say)	4,000	0	0
	£336,488	19	3
,, Balance	62,025	1	8
	£398,514	0	11

SPRING GARDENS, S.W.;
24th January, 1870.

ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant

The report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the foregoing estimate of the Consolidated Loans Fund, for the year 1870, be approved and adopted, and that the Chairman be requested to submit the same to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for their sanction.

5. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 25th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the pass books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 22nd January, 1870.		Cheques Drawn but not Issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—					
General	..	561,754 8 3	226,357 11 4	..	335,396 16 11
Fire Brigade	..	3,972 12 8	475 0 11	..	3,497 11 9
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	3,040 17 4	..	..	3,040 17 4
Victoria Park Approach	..	525 6 6	..	..	525 6 6
Finsbury Park	827 1 11	..	..	827 1 11	..
Southwark Park	..	521 5 5	..	..	521 5 5
Whitechapel Improvement	..	12,988 13 6	4,282 10 2	..	8,706 3 4
Holborn Improvement	..	345 11 6	..	..	345 11 6
Kensington Improvement	..	7,290 0 9	141 11 0	..	7,148 9 9
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	29,591 7 7	4,131 5 8	..	25,460 1 11
Park Lane Improvement	306 3 0	..	..	306 3 0	..
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,404 17 1	..	..	1,404 17 1
Consolidated Loans Fund	..	5,889 7 2	..	..	5,889 7 2
£	1,133 4 11	628,824 7 9	235,387 19 1	1,133 4 11	393,436 8 8
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	1,133 4 11	..	..	1,133 4 11
	..	627,691 2 10	..	..	392,303 3 9
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,824 18 0	940 16 6	..	884 1 6
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—					
Thames Embankment, North	..	83,203 6 10	6,639 18 4	..	76,563 8 6
Southern Embankment	..	169,752 1 7	322 7 7	..	169,429 14 0
Mansion House Street	..	41,989 2 3	479 19 0	..	41,509 3 3
Metropolis Main Drainage	..	17,311 15 6	150 0 0	..	17,161 15 6
		312,256 6 2	7,592 4 11	..	304,664 1 3
Totals £	..	941,772 7 0	243,921 0 6	.. £	697,851 6 6

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£136,880 19s. 2d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from the 10th to the 22nd January, 1870—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Building Act Fees	6	0	0			
Rates, St. George, Hanover Square	1,824	0	0			
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	15	8	6			
Chiswick Precept	294	2	6			
Costs of Summonses	3	4	6			
Engineer's Fees, *re* London and South-Western Railway	210	0	0			
Drain Junctions to Main Sewers	0	19	1			
Fees *re* Dangerous Structures	7	15	0			
				2,361	9	7

FIRE BRIGADE.

Contributions from Insurance Offices	750	2	6			
Subscription for Fire Reports	5	0	0			
Watching Premises	138	10	6			
Attendance at Ex-Metropolitan Fires	21	0	0			
Chimney-fire Fines	27	7	6			
				942	0	6

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rents received				268	5	7

MANSION HOUSE STREET.

Interest on Deposit, *re* Miles, Gould, and Co.				32	14	5
				£3,604	10	1

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors and others persons of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £34,793 0s. 3d., be paid.

Your Committee have further to report that there are certain arrears of establishment charges and temporary loans due from certain special Accounts to the General Account of the Board, which they have not been able hitherto to repay for want of funds on the said special Accounts. They have had before them a statement of the several amounts, which are as follows, viz.—

	Arrears of Establishment Charges, due 30th June, 1869.	Temporary Loans.
Victoria Park Approach	£4,571 12 9	
Finsbury Park	775 12 6	£12,000
Southwark Park	3,850 15 10	5,000
Fire Brigade	354 9 5	
Stingo Lane Improvement	250 0 0	10,000
Park Lane Improvement	893 17 6	
Chelsea Embankment	710 3 9	
	£11,406 11 9	£27,000

And your Committee have instructed the Accountant to charge the above amounts to the respective Accounts, and to credit the General Account therewith.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 21st January instant (No. 2), your Committee have to report that, in order to carry out the arrangements made with the National Debt Commissioners, it will be necessary for the Board to draw a cheque for £428,100, being the balance of the loan now due to the Commissioners, and agreed to be paid on the 2nd February next, and also a cheque for £2,383 9s. 6d., the amount of interest which will be due to the Commissioners up to the above mentioned date, and they accordingly recommend—

That a cheque for the sum of £428,100 be drawn, in favour of the National Debt Commissioners, on the General Account, out of the moneys raised by creation of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, in full discharge of the loan obtained from them upon the security of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, and that a cheque for the sum of £2,383 9s. 6d. be drawn in favour of the National Debt Commissioners, for interest due on the 2nd February on the loan to be then fully repaid, chargeable to the Mansion House (New) Street Account, as an advance on account of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund.

Your Committee have further to report that, with a view to carrying out the proposed arrangement for paying over the amount raised under the provisions of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, on behalf of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, it will be necessary for the Board to draw a cheque for £78,000, being the amount of the instalment to be paid to the Managers on the 1st February next, and they therefore recommend—

That a cheque for the sum of £78,000 be drawn, in favour of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, on the General Account, out of moneys raised by creation of stock, being the second instalment of the loan of £460,000 to be advanced to them.

Your Committee have had under consideration the subject of the Precepts for the expenses of the Board for the year 1870. They have had before them estimates prepared by the principal officers of the sums which will probably be required by the several departments for meeting such expenses, which they have very carefully examined and amended, and they have directed the same, and also a copy of the comparative statement of the sums received and expended during the past year, to be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board Your Committee also report that, in connection with the estimates, they have had their attention directed to the cost of the works done under the General Jobbing Contracts to the Lisson Grove branch of the Ranelagh Sewer, under orders of the Board of the 10th July, 1868, (No. 28), the 7th August, 1868, (No. 18), the 6th November, 1868, (No. 14), and the 29th January, 1869, (No. 23), and charged to the General Account; and that, as the sewer in question is one of the sewers mentioned in Schedule D of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, the cost of the works in question, amounting to £2,264 19s. 8d., should be paid out of the funds applicable to the improving and covering of these sewers, and that they have accordingly instructed the Accountant so to charge the amount in question, and they have allowed the sum of £2,000 in the estimates for the present year in respect of the cost of such works. The total amount proposed to be raised is £399,306 14s. 4d. Your Committee, in submitting these estimates to the Board, beg to recommend—

That they be approved, and that the Accountant be instructed to apportion the several amounts contained therein amongst the several parishes and parts liable thereto, according to the respective county rates and other rentals.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
THOS. J. WHITE,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(3556) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	1,500 0 0	
WATERLOW AND SONS—		
(3557) Bill for Printing, &c., July to December, 1869	377 8 6	
Carried forward ..	£1,877 8 6	..

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	1,877	8	6		..	
WADESON, C. A.—						
(3558) Mounting Plans, &c., October to December, 1869	17	8	6			
ROWNEY, G., AND Co.—						
(3559) Drawing Materials, &c., July to December, 1869	22	18	4			
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—						
(3560) Fair Copying, &c.—						
Clerk's Department, November, 1869 .. £58 13 1						
Ditto ditto December, ,, .. 61 3 9						
119 16 10						
Accountant's Department, December, 1869 .. .. 0 18 11						
	120	15	9			
STEEL, D.—						
(3561) Bill for Newspapers, October to December, 1869	8	10	8			
HANSARD, H.—						
(3562) Subscription for Parliamentary Papers, House of Commons, Session 1870	23	3	0			
McDOUGALL, J., Surveyor—						
(3563) Travelling expenses of self and men—						
November, 1869 .. .. £2 1 8						
December, ,, ... 2 3 5						
	4	5	1			
NEGRETTI AND ZAMBRA—						
(3564) Bill for Photography—April and May, 1869 .. .. £3 14 6						
Instruments for Gas-meter Testing-house, Southwark, October, 1868 . .. . 9 8 0						
	13	2	6			
PALMER, SIR ROUNDELL, Q.C., M.P.—						
(3565) Counsel's Fees, *re* Loans Bill	48	19	0			
MANISTY, H.—						
(3566) Counsel's Fees do.	35	15	0			
PHILBRICK, F. A.—						
(3567) Counsel's Fees—						
Re Barking Inquiry £213 18 0						
,, European Assurance Society .. £15 16 6						
,, Morrison 75 1 0						
,, Wing 5 10 0						
96 7 6						
	310	5	6			
HAWKINS, H., Q.C—						
(3568) Counsel's Fees, *re* Morrison £46 9 6						
,, ,, Gallon 25 13 0						
	72	2	6			
BIRON, R. J.—						
(3569) Counsel's Fees, *re* Greenwich Rates £1 14 0						
,, ,, Dormer 1 3 6						
	2	17	6			
METCALFE, W. J.—						
(3570) Counsel's Fees, *re* Lovibond	12	11	0			
CLARK, W. A.—						
(3571) Counsel's Fees, *re* West Ham Rates	38	15	6			
HODGES AND SON—						
(3572) Short-hand Notes, *re* Morrison	25	4	6			
COOKE, J. AND J. W.—						
(3573) Short-hand Notes, November, 1868, to November, 1869	14	11	0			
PRESTWICH, Dr. J.—						
(3574) Report on the Geological conditions of Ground at Crossness.. ..	10	10	0			
HARDISTY AND RHODES—						
(3575) Half-year's Rent (less tax) of Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster, due Christmas, 1869	22	0	8			
CHELSEA WATER WORKS COMPANY—(J. E. Page, Collector)—						
(3576) Water supplied, to Christmas, 1869—						
Office, Spring Gardens £10 0 0						
Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster .. 2 10 0						
	12	10	0			
Carried forward	£2,693	14	6		..	

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ..	2,693	14	6	..		
Boggis, G. E., Housekeeper—							
(3577)	Amount paid by him for mowing and dressing Garden, for the year 1869	2	7	0			
Bank of England—							
(3578)	Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £66,000, due 1st February, 1870	1,357	2	6			
Coulson, J., Stokes and Co.—							
(3579)	Bill for articles for use at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, May and June, 1869	415	6	3			
					4,468	10	3
	FIRE BRIGADE.						
Shurmur, W., Contractor—							
(2296)	Balance of Contract for erection of Station at Hackney	89	7	1			
Winship, S., Contractor—							
(2297)	Balance of Contract for erection of Station, Renfrew Road	355	7	11			
Shand, Mason, and Co.—							
(2298)	Repairs to Engines, &c., Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	50	16	2			
Merryweather and Sons—							
(2299)	Repairs to Engines, &c., Quarter ending 31st December, 1869 £34 0 1						
	Belts, Axes, and Pouches, supplied January, 1870 .. .. 4 19 0						
		38	19	1			
Eastons, Amos, and Anderson—							
(2300)	Repairs to Float A, October to December, 1869	2	18	6			
Roberts, W.—							
(2301)	Bill for Dam Frames, supplied November, 1869	11	5	0			
Nash and Miller—							
(2302)	Repairs to Boat of Float D, Sculls, Boat hooks, &c., December, 1869 .. .. £10 0 5						
	Repairs to Float D, December, 1869 .. .. 35 15 0						
		45	15	5			
Ell, G.—							
(2303)	Painting and repairing Fire Escapes—Quarter ending 31st December, 1869	129	19	0			
Clarke, G.							
(2304)	Jumping-sheets and Watch-boxes, November and December, 1869 ..	28	14	4			
Stanton Brothers—							
(2305)	Bill for Steel, Brass, &c., for Repairs, October to December, 1869 ..	6	9	3			
Nobes and Hunter—							
(2306)	Hose, Couplings, &c., December, 1869	383	0	0			
Bartrum, Pretyman, and Mumford—							
(2307)	Copper Rivets, Washers, &c., December, 1869	4	13	7			
Van, H., and Co.—							
(2308)	Rope, Canvas, &c., October to December, 1869	24	10	4			
Large, Farrance, and Large—							
(2309)	Sheep Skins, supplied November, 1869	5	8	0			
Coulson, J., Stokes, and Co.—							
(2310)	Bolt Rope, December, 1869	8	14	0			
Rumbold, T., and Son—							
(2311)	Repairs to Wheels, October to December, 1869	21	3	0			
Pimlico Wheel Works—							
(2312)	Repairs to Wheels, November and December, 1869	17	10	0			
Pinchin, Johnson, and Co.—							
(2313)	Oils, Colours, Cotton Waste, &c., October to December, 1869 ..	374	12	9			
Boobbyer and Co.—							
(2314)	Ironmongery, October to December, 1869	6	5	2			
Langsford, H.—							
(2315)	Repairs to Harness, &c., Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	4	16	0			
Hayne, H. W.—							
(2316)	Bill for Timber, for Repairs, October to December, 1869	17	18	1			
	Carried forward	£1,628	2	8	4,468	10	3

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	1,628	2	8	4,468	10	3
BUCK, J.—							
(2317)	Tools for repairing, October to December, 1869	4	9	8			
CORY, W., AND SON—							
(2318)	Coals for sundry Stations, Quarter ending 31st December, 1869 ..	234	10	7			
HUMPHREYS, T., (Executors of)—							
(2319)	Firewood, October to December, 1869	33	0	0			
WOOD, H. & T., AND Co.—							
(2320)	Cocoa Nut Matting, &c., Quarter ending 31st December, 1869 ..	29	8	4			
RIGBY, E., AND Co.—							
(2321)	Brushes and Baskets, October to December, 1869	2	4	0			
EWIN, E., AND Co.—							
(2322)	Wood Chairs, supplied January, 1870	3	12	0			
ALMOND, G. AND W.—							
(2323)	Helmet, Chin Straps, and Rosettes, November and December, 1869 ..	2	4	6			
COMPTON, J., AND SON—							
(2324)	Bills for Clothing, December, 1869	1,483	2	0			
MEAD, J.—							
(2325)	Bills for Boots, December, 1869	587	6	6			
LONDON AND PROVINCIAL TELEGRAPH Co.—							
(2326)	Hire of Telegraphs, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	261	12	6			
BILLS FOR HIRE OF HORSES FOR DRAWING ENGINES—Quarter ending 31st December, 1869—							
(2327)	Bobbett, J.—						
	Westminster Station £74 0 0						
	Portland Road ,, ... 54 0 0						
	Kennington ,, ... 69 7 6						
	Southwark ,, ... 54 0 0						
	Waterloo Road ,, ... 54 0 0						
					305	7	6
(2328)	Bridge, I.—						
	Fulham ,, ... £16 18 0						
	St. John's Wood ,, ... 20 0 0						
	Hampstead ,, ... 16 18 0						
					53	16	0
(2329)	Ware, T.—						
	Bayswater ,, ... £10 0 0						
	Paddington ,, ... 28 0 0						
					38	0	0
(2330)	Webster, J.—						
	Farringdon Street ,, ... £74 0 0						
	Islington ,, ... 31 4 0						
	St. Luke's ,, ... 44 15 0						
	St. Giles's ,, ... 18 17 6						
	Holborn ,, ... 44 7 6						
					213	4	0
(2331)	Stapleton, R.—						
	Watling Street ,, ... £121 1 0						
	Tooley Street ,, ... 41 10 0						
					162	11	0
(2332)	Wasmuth, T.—						
	Wellclose Square ,, ... £74 0 0						
	Ratcliffe ,, ... 50 17 6						
					124	17	6
(2333)	Atkins, W.—Hackney Station .. £22 2 6						
	Bishopsgate ,, .. 57 17 6						
					80	0	0
(2334)	Floyd, G.—Brompton ,, ...				33	17	6
(2335)	Pummell, G.— Kensington ,, ...				17	0	0
(2336)	Simpson, T.—Hammersmith ,, ...				19	15	0
	Carried forward ..	£1,048	8	6	4,269	12	9	4,468	10	3

			£ s. d.	£. s. d.
	Brought forward ..	£1,048 8 6	4,269 12 9	4,468 10 3
HORSE HIRE—(*Continued.*)				
(2337)	Cole, S.—Notting Hill ,, ...	18 10 0		
(2338)	Brecy, C.—Baker Street ,, ...	36 15 0		
(2339)	Smith, J.—Regent Street ,, ...	45 7 6		
(2340)	Venables, R. F.—Highgate ,, ...	9 15 0		
(2341)	Buer, G.—Chandos Street ,, ...	53 0 0		
(2342)	Honnor, T.—St. Pancras ,, ...	13 13 0		
(2343)	Baldwin, E.—Bethnal Green ,, ...	32 5 0		
(2344)	Hurlock, J.—South Hackney ,, ...	13 5 0		
(2345)	Arber, G.—Stoke Newington ,, ...	16 17 6		
(2346)	Puddefoot, G.—Mile End ,, ...	31 0 0		
(2347)	Philpot, F.—Bow ,, ...	25 15 0		
(2348)	Edmonds, J.—Poplar ,, ...	35 17 6		
(2349)	Tydeman, R.—Shoreditch ,, ...	54 2 6		
(2350)	Jones, J.—De Beauvoir Town ,, ...	22 5 0		
(2351)	Lyons, J.—Whitechapel ,, ...	26 0 0		
(2352)	West, T.—Rotherhithe Station	20 12 0		
(2353)	Martin, R.—Old Kent Road ,, ...	27 2 6		
(2354)	Dixon, W.—Greenwich ,, ...	10 7 6		
(2355)	Roffey, J.—Woolwich ,, ...	19 10 0		
(2356)	Sabin, G.—Lewisham ,, ...	27 6 0		
(2357)	Kemp, T. B.—Camberwell ,, ...	8 10 0		
(2358)	Jayne, A.—Sydenham ,, ...	17 10 0		
(2359)	Lovett, T.—Brixton ,, ...	14 10 0		
(2360)	Thornton, A.—Clapham ,, ...	27 6 0		
(2361)	Nightingale, W. C.—Tooting ,, ...	27 6 0		
(2362)	Williams, Mrs. S.—Wandsworth ,, ...	16 0 0		
			1,698 16 6	
MEDICAL OFFICERS' ALLOWANCES—Quarter ending 31st December, 1869—				
(2363)	Propert, J. L. District A.	£24 8 4		
(2364)	Saunders, Dr. ,, B.	24 13 4		
(2365)	Woodforde, W. T. G., Dr. ,, C.	22 1 8		
(2366)	Browne, C. F. ,, D.	44 13 10		
			115 17 2	
GUARDIANS OF THE POOR OF ST. MARYLEBONE, per J. Bedford—				
(2367)	One Quarter's Rent of Premises, in lieu of St. John's Wood Station, due Christmas, 1869		9 15 0	
METCALFE, W. J.—				
(2368)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Smith (stealing Jumping canvas)		2 4 6	
KNIGHT, J. M., Surveyor—				
(2369)	Charge for valuation and report as to Hackney Station, and attendance at Court-house		8 8 0	
WOOD, W.—				
(2370)	Short-hand Notes, *re* Fires at Bayswater and Kennington		4 14 6	
EAST, SIR G. E. G.—				
(2371)	Amount payable in respect of Lease of Kennington Lane Station	£62 10 0		
	Proportionate contribution towards making roads ..	60 0 0		
			122 10 0	
WILLIAMS AND JAMES—				
(2372)	Solicitors' Costs, *re* Kennington Lane Station		18 2 6	
LOVEJOY, A.—				
(2373)	Surveyor's Fees, *re* Kennington Lane Station		15 15 0	
BEVAN, N.—Receiver of Chimney-fire Fines, &c.—				
(2374)	First Monthly Advance on account of Salary, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870		15 12 6	
				6,281 8 5
	Carried forward ..		..	£10,749 18 8

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				10,749	18	8
SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION.						
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—						
(84) Commission on Rents collected, to Christmas, 1869				12	15	11
VICTORIA PARK APPROACH.						
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—						
(20) Commission on Rents collected, to Christmas, 1869				2	7	7
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.						
MARSHALL AND MAXWELL, Contractors—						
(596) Further on account of new Street in extension of the Commercial Road—Contract No. 153				1,283	0	0
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT.						
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—						
(561) Commission on Rents collected, to Christmas 1869				2	12	7
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.						
HISCOX AND WILLIAMS, Contractors—						
(2449) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Westminster to Pimlico, Contract, No. 150	5,006	0	0			
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—						
(2450) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Tower Hill to New Earl Street—Contract No. 151	9,500	0	0			
BURCHELL AND HALL—						
(2451) Sheriff's Charges, *re* Emery £8 6 0						
,, ,, Walton 12 12 0						
	20	18	0			
WADESON, C. A.—						
(2452) Mounting Plans, &c., December, 1869	6	9	0			
PHILBRICK, F. A.—						
(2453) Counsel's Fees, *re* Millwall Dock Company	3	10	6			
DUNCH, C.—						
(2454) Surveyor's Charges, *re* Pendergast	6	6	0			
CARPENTER, W.—						
(2455) Solicitor's Charges, *re* Pendergast	4	4	0			
				14,547	7	6
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.						
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—						
(7) Further on account of Contract No. 3, from eastern end of Inner Temple to Blackfriars Bridge				5,500	0	0
MANSION HOUSE STREET.						
COMMISSIONERS OF SEWERS of the City of London—						
(12) District Surveyor's Fees in respect of Nos. 33 and 34, Bucklersbury..	2	3	6			
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—						
(13) Commission on Rents collected, to Christmas, 1869	2	17	3			
				5	0	9
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT.						
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—						
(1) *General*—						
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870 .. £576 0 7						
Arbitrator's charges *re* West Ham Rates 12 9 0						
Compensations for damage by Flooding 119 10 0						
Petty Cash Payments, 11th to 24th January, 1870 .. 125 18 4						
Advertisements *re* Consolidated Stock 14 18 0						
Rates and Taxes—						
Premises used for Drainage Purposes 14 14 4						
Gas-meter Testing-houses 8 16 0						
	872	6	3			
Fire Brigade—						
Weekly Wages (Draughtsman)—						
Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870 .. .. .. £4 15 10						
Ditto (Firemen)—						
Week ending 15th January, 1870 .. £513 8 0						
,, 22nd ,, ... 518 7 6						
1,031 15 6						
Carried forward £1,036 11 4	872	6	3	32,103	3	0

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward			£1,036	11	4	872	6	3	32,103	3	0
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—(*Continued.*)											
Fire Brigade—(*Continued.*)											
Allowance to T. Smart on leaving the Service (as per Order of Board 12th November, 1869)			10	0	0						
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 22nd January, 1870			3	2	0						
Superannuation Fund—Amounts returned to Firemen leaving the Service			2	9	0						
Foremen's Expenses, December, 1869—											
Expenses at Fires	£212	18 10									
Incidentals	76	0 7									
			288	19	5						
Incidental Expenses, Chief Station, December, 1869			12	6	10						
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c.			10	17	8						
Rates, Taxes, Insurance and Gas, for sundry Stations			338	0	1						
						1,702	6	4			
Whitechapel Improvement—											
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870			£6	6	0						
Petty Disbursements (Cooke)			1	1	0						
						7	7	0			
Kensington Improvement—											
Advertisements—Sale of Plots						0	11	0			
									2,582	10	7
THAMES EMBANKMENT, DRAWING ACCOUNT.											
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—											
(1) *Thames Embankment North*—											
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870			£27	16	0						
Petty Disbursements (Wadeson)			0	4	0						
						28	0	0			
Southern Embankment—											
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870			£6	6	0						
Petty Disbursements (Strudwick)			1	5	0						
						7	11	0			
Mansion House Street—											
Rent Charge on Nos. 13 and 14, Bucklersbury, due Michaelmas, 1869			£1	6	0						
Copy Bill of Costs *re* Sercombe			3	5	8						
						4	11	8			
									40	2	8
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.											
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—											
(2456) Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 19th January, 1870									67	4	0
									£34,793	0	3

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
G. P. MEADEN.

ESTIMATE of the Sums to be raised by the Board for the Year 1870, referred to in the Report of the Finance Committee.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
For Payment of Principal and Interest of and Sinking Fund for Securities granted before passing of Act, 32 and 33 Victoria (Metropolitan Board of Works, Loans) c. 102 (for Details, see Paper A).			
In Respect of Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers—			
Instalment and Interest on Loan of £135,000 from Bank of England, and Annuities, &c.	16,813 16 8		
In Respect of Liabilities of the Board—			
General—			
Instalment and interest on Loan £140,000 from the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society	8,575 0 0		
Interest on Loan of £34,000 from the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society £544 0 0			
Interest on Loan of £50,000 from the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society 1,837 10 0			
Interest on Loan of £616,000 from Bank of England ... 24,738 0 0			
,, ,, 150,000 Ditto ... 6,750 0 0			
,, ,, 100,000 from Economic Assurance Society 4,275 0 0			
,, ,, 50,000 from London Life Assurance Corporation 2,037 18 10			
Interest on Loan of £149,900 from Sundry Parties ... 6,348 5 0			
	46,530 13 10		
		71,919 10 6	
Main Drainage.—(previously raised by Main Drainage Rate)—			
Interest on, and Repayment in respect of, Loan of £4,200,000 from the Bank of England	... .	233,990 9 3	
Fire Brigade.—(previously raised by Fire Brigade Rate)—			
Interest on Loan of £30,000 from the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation	1,275 0 0		
Interest on Loan of £10,000 from the Hand-in-Hand Insurance Company	447 10 0		
		1,722 10 0	
			307,632 9 9
For Dividends and Redemption of Consolidated Stock (Loan of £2,500,000) to be Carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund—(Nil.)			
For Expenses of the Board—			
Sewerage and Drainage—			
Sums required for Works (for Details see Paper B)	30,923 0 0		
Working Expenses of Pumping Stations of the Board (for Details see Paper B)	33,267 1 0		
		64,190 1 0	
Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces—			
Supervision and Maintenance of Parks (for Details see Paper C)—			
Finsbury £1,287 17 8			
Southwark 897 7 1			
	2,185 4 9		
Incidental Expenses in connection with Commons and Open Spaces ...	600 0 0		
		2,785 4 9	
Petroleum—			
Expenses in carrying out the Acts (for Details see Paper C)	... ...	1,200 0 0	
Dangerous Structures—			
Expenses under Act (for Details see Paper C)	... ..	700 0 0	
General Purposes—			
Salaries, Wages, &c., £33,753 (less Proportion chargeable to Special Accounts) £11,188 0 0			
Ordinary Law and Parliamentary Expenses £7,000 (less Proportion chargeable to Special Accounts) 2,800 0 0			
	13,988 0 0		
Printing, Stationery, Lithography, Mathematical Instruments, Maps, &c. (less Proportion chargeable to Special Accounts) ... £4,500 0 0	1,800 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, Office repairs and expenses, Postage, and Petty Incidentals, £3,000 (less Proportion chargeable to Special Accounts)	1,200 0 0		
		16,988 0 0	
Compensation and Retired Allowances to late Officers	... ...	1,174 8 3	
		87,037 14 0	
Less—			
Estimated Excess of Estimate beyond Expenditure for 1869, and Surplus above Working Balance of £60,000	17,000 0 0		
Estimated Surplus of Fees beyond Expenditure under Sale of Gas Acts, year 1870 (for Details see Paper E)	200 0 0		
Estimated Amount receivable for Building Act Fees, Sale of Plans, &c.	150 0 0		
	17,350 0 0		
Principal of Securities granted before passing of Loans Act, included in Estimate for 1869, but payable out of the Consolidated Loans Fund	15,889 7 7		
		33,239 7 7	
			53,798 6 5
Fire Brigade—(previously raised by Fire Brigade Rate)—			
Working Expenses of the Brigade (for Details see Paper D)	... ...	... ...	37,275 18 2
For Expenses under Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869—			
Inspectors' Allowances, Advertisements, &c., &c.	.. .	... ...	600 0 0
			£399,306 14 4

Total Charge for the Year 1869.	
General	£207,769 5 5
Main Drainage	202,759 16 6
Fire Brigade	33,869 19 0
	£444,399 0 11

The Total charge for 1869 was equivalent to a rate 6.56d. in the £, on total rental of the Metropolis for that year.
The Total charge for 1870 is equal to a rate of 5.12d. in the £, on the present rental.

Spring Gardens, S.W.,
25th January, 1870.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

PAPER A.

SUMS REQUIRED FOR PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF, AND SINKING FUND FOR SECURITIES GRANTED BEFORE PASSING OF ACT 32 AND 33 VICT., CAP. 102, FOR THE YEAR 1870.

		Outstanding Amount of Loan. 1st January, 1870.	Interest for the Year, viz., to 1st January, 1871.	Repayment of Principal.	Total.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL.					
In respect of Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers—					
Loan from Bank of England, at 4½ per Cent., to Repay Rock Loan	£135,000 0 0				
Paid off	67,500 0 0				
		67,500 0 0	3,037 10 0	..	
6th Instalment in Repayment		..	..	13,500 0 0	16,537 10 0
Annuity—M. Woodroffe		..	23 0 0	..	
Retired Allowances—B. Budd and J. Roe		..	253 6 8	..	276 6 8
					16,813 16 8
In respect of Liabilities of the Board—					
Loan from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society at 4½ per Cent. (Amount handed to Board by late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers)	£140,000 0 0				
Paid off	105,000 0 0				
		35,000 0 0	1,575 0 0	..	
16th Instalment in Repayment		..	..	7,000 0 0	8,575 0 0
Loan from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society, at 4 per Cent., for Victoria Park Approach	£34,000 0 0				
Paid off	20,400 0 0				
		13,600 0 0	544 0 0	..	544 0 0
Loan from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society, at 4½ per Cent., for Finsbury Park	£50,000 0 0				
Paid off	8,333 6 8				
		41,666 13 4	1,837 10 0	..	1,837 10 0
Loan from Bank of England, at 4½ per Cent.—					
For Holborn Improvement	£61,000 0 0				
,, Southwark Park	80,000 0 0				
,, Whitechapel Improvement	175,000 0 0				
,, Main Sewers	300,000 0 0				
	£616,000 0 0				
Paid off	62,933 6 8	553,066 13 4	24,738 0 0	..	24,738 0 0
Loan from Bank of England, at 4½ per Cent., for Kensington Improvement		150,000 0 0	6,750 0 0	..	6,750 0 0
Loan from Economic Assurance Society, at 4½ per Cent., for Main Sewers	£100,000 0 0				
Paid off	3,333 6 8				
		96,666 13 4	4,275 0 0	..	4,275 0 0
Loan from London Life Assurance Corporation, at 4¼ per Cent., for Local Improvements	£50,000 0 0				
Paid off	1,628 6 2				
		48,371 13 10	2,037 18 10	..	2,037 18 10
Loan from Sundry Parties, at 4 to 4¼ per Cent.—					
For Whitechapel Improvement	£41,900 0 0				
,, Holborn Improvement	15,000 0 0				
,, Kensington ,,	31,000 0 0				
,, Finsbury Park	43,000 0 0				
,, Southwark Park	19,000 0 0				
		149,900 0 0	6,348 5 0	..	6,348 5 0
MAIN DRAINAGE—					
Loan from Bank of England, at 3¾ per Cent.	£4,200,000 0 0				
Paid off	1,120,000 0 0				
		3,080,000 0 0	113,250 0 0	..	
Towards Redemption of Bonds		..	..	120,740 9 3	233,990 9 3
FIRE BRIGADE—					
Loan from Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation at 4¼ per Cent.		30,000 0 0	1,275 0 0	..	1,275 0 0
Loan from Hand-in-Hand Assurance Company at £4 9s. 6d. per Cent.		10,000 0 0	447 10 0	..	447 10 0
		£40,000 0 0	1,722 10 0	..	1,722 10 0
Total	£	4,275,771 13 10	166,392 0 6	141,240 9 3	307,632 9 9

Spring Gardens, S.W., *January*, 1870.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN, *Accountant.*

PAPER B.

APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE of the amount which will be required for the execution of Sewerage Works during the year 1870. (Exclusive of Main Drainage and other Special Account Works.)

	Western Division.	Eastern Division.	Southern Division.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Construction	2,488 0 0	1,040 0 0	1,145 0 0	4,673 0 0
Ventilation	184 0 0	248 0 0	..	432 0 0
Repairs	3,776 0 0	2,800 0 0	2,265 0 0	8,841 0 0
Cleansing	3,241 0 0	6,000 0 0	6,220 0 0	15,461 0 0
Incidentals	366 0 0	380 0 0	620 0 0	1,366 0 0
Deodorising	..	150 0 0	..	150 0 0
£	10,055 0 0	10,618 0 0	10,250 0 0	30,923 0 0

THE EXPENDITURE FOR 1869 IS (APPROXIMATELY) AS FOLLOWS—

	Western Division.	Eastern Division.	Southern Division.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Construction	5,154 18 4	1,016 13 2	1,147 8 10	7,319 0 4
Ventilation	184 7 10	..	..	184 7 10
Repairs	3,776 11 10	2,718 3 10	2,267 8 10	8,762 4 6
Cleansing	3,241 16 1	6,398 2 9	6,219 8 11	15,859 7 9
Incidentals	366 16 10	384 17 1	618 12 8	1,370 6 7
Deodorising	..	..	..	..
£	12,724 10 11	10,517 16 10	10,252 19 3	33,495 7 0

AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR WORKING EXPENSES OF PUMPING STATIONS.

	Crossness.	Deptford.	Cremorne.	Abbey Mills.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wages	4,323 7 4	1,788 0 0	556 0 0	1,800 0 0	8,467 7 4
Coals and Coke	3,187 12 6	1,648 0 0	1,078 0 0	3,100 0 0	9,013 12 6
Stores, Oil, &c.	1,510 0 0	312 0 0	120 0 0	750 0 0	2,692 0 0
Repairs, Materials, Tools, &c.	2,435 0 0	160 0 0	300 0 0	1,500 0 0	4,395 0 0
Rates, Taxes, &c.	76 11 2	100 0 0	40 0 0	..	216 11 2
	..	1,401 18 0	..	3,292 0 0	4,693 18 0
Gas, Water, Sweeping, &c.	469 12 0	212 0 0	267 0 0	700 0 0	1,648 12 0
Incidentals, Roads, Water, &c, ...	1,380 0 0	160 0 0	..	600 0 0	2,140 0 0
	13,382 3 0	5,781 18 0	2,361 0 0	11,742 0 0	33,267 1 0

SPRING GARDENS, S.W.,
13th November, 1869.

(Signed) JOHN GRANT.

PAPER C.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES for the following matters for the Year 1870.

PARKS.	Finsbury. £. s. d.	Southwark. £. s. d.
General Superintendent	50 0 0	50 0 0
Park Superintendents	104 0 0	78 0 0
Gardeners (12 Finsbury, 9 Southwark) at 21s. each, per week	655 4 0	491 8 0
Hire of Horses for Rolling and Mowing Machines, average £2 14s. per week, for 26 weeks	70 4 0	70 4 0
Repairs to Machinery £5; and to Lodge and Urinals, £20	25 0 0	25 0 0
Repairs to Fences, Roads, Walks, and Gates	100 0 0	50 0 0
Manure	100 0 0	35 0 0
Trees, Shrubs, Grass Seeds, and Lake	100 0 0	35 0 0
Water for Urinals and Lodge, at 7½d. per 1,000 gals. (800,000 gals. Finsbury, 390,000 gals. Southwark)	25 0 0	12 3 9
Gas	4 0 0	4 0 0
Land Tax	2 11 4	13 11 4
Poor Rates	50 0 0	0 0 0
Tithes	1 18 4	33 0 0
	£1,287 17 8	897 7 1
	£2,185 4 9	

PETROLEUM TESTING, (Under Acts 1862 & 1868.)		
Inspectors and Clerks	£800 0 0	
Travelling Expenses	100 0 0	
Samples	12 0 0	
Postage of Licenses and Circulars	60 0 0	
Printing	30 0 0	
Extra Expenses	198 0 0	
		£1,200 0 0

DANGEROUS STRUCTURES.		
Fees, Expenses of Shoring, &c., and pulling down Structures	£2,000 0 0	
Less Returns	1,300 0 0	
		£700 0

Based upon Accounts of Metropolitan Police Commissioners for the year 1867-8.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Spring Gardens, S.W.,
November, 1869.

PAPER D.

AMOUNT REQUIRED to be raised from Parishes, Districts, &c., for Working Expenses of the Fire Brigade, for the Year ending 31st December, 1870.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
STAFF.		
Salaries and Wages	30,385 0 0	
Men's Clothing	2,500 0 0	
Pensions	677 0 0	
Medical Officers	400 0 0	
		33,962 0 0
STATIONS.		
Maintenance	2,000 0 0	
Rents (less amount deducted from men's wages)	1,954 0 0	
Rates, Taxes, Insurance, and Gas	2,400 0 0	
		6,354 0 0
ENGINES, FUEL, &c.—		
Renewal of Stock	1,000 0 0	
Repairs to Engines and Gear	1,500 0 0	
Repairs to Fire Escapes	1,000 0 0	
Horse-hire	7,000 0 0	
Coals, Coke, Oil, &c.	2,500 0 0	
Telegraph	1,250 0 0	
		14,250 0 0
MISCELLANEOUS—		
Expenses at Fires	2,000 0 0	
Establishment Charges	2,100 0 0	
Incidentals (including Stationery, Printing, Travelling, and Petty Disbursements)	2,400 0 0	
		6,500 0 0
EXTRA EXPENDITURE under any one or more of the above heads		2,981 6 10
		£64,047 6 10
LESS—		
Contributions—		
Her Majesty's Treasury £10,000 0 0		
Insurance Offices 14,896 8 8		
	24,896 8 8	
Ex-Metropolitan Fires	75 0 0	
Watching Premises	1,400 0 0	
Chimney Fire Fines	400 0 0	
		26,771 8 8
		£37,275 18 2

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
ACCOUNTANT.

SPRING GARDENS, S.W.,
November, 1869.

PAPER E.

APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE OF THE EXPENSES UNDER SALE OF GAS ACTS FOR THE YEAR 1870.

		£ s. d.
Gas for Testing		120 0 0
Rent, Rates, and Taxes	Rent £45 Rates 205	250 0 0
Salaries and Wages		1,200 0 0
Coal and Coke		60 0 0
Repairs and Maintenance		270 0 0
Petty Cash and Sundries		100 0 0
		2,000 0 0
Estimated amount of Fees for Testing Meters		2,200 0 0
ESTIMATED SURPLUS		£200 0 0

(Signed) E. CRESY,
2nd November, 1869.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, Showing the Sums raised, and the Sums expended, or to be expended, for the Year 1869.

Particulars.	Amounts raised.	Amounts Expended, or to be Expended.	Excess of Estimate.	Excess of Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Sewerage and Drainage— Works, including Working Expenses of Pumping Stations, &c.	69,753 0 0	59,229 18 0	10,523 2 0	..
General Purposes— Salaries, Wages, Office Repairs and Expenses, Rent, Taxes, Printing, Stationery, Lithography, Maps, Plans, and Petty Incidentals (including ordinary Law and Parliamentary Expenses)	14,134 0 0	16,878 1 9	..	2,744 1 9
Sale of Gas Acts. Expenses under, (less Fees for Testing Meters)	610 0 0	..	..	..
The Fees received are in excess of Expenditure to the amount of £213 14s. 3d.	..	..	823 14 3	..
Mortgage Debts of the Board. Repayment and Interest— 15th Instalment and Interest on Balance of Loan of £140,000, from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society	8,890 0 0	8,890 0 0	..	..
Repayment of Loan of £300,000 from Bank of England, 2 per Cent. raised annually	6,000 0 0	6,000 0 0	..	..
Interest on Loan of £300,000 from Bank of England (less £3,500 receivable for Rents of Property)	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	..	..
6th Instalment and Interest on Balance of Loan of £34,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society	4,080 0 0	4,080 0 0	..	..
5th Instalment and Interest on Balance of Loan of £50,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society..	3,579 3 4	3,579 3 4	..	..
Instalments and Interest on Balance of Loan of £616,000 from Bank of England	46,195 6 8	46,195 6 8	..	..
Interest on, and Repayment of, Loan of £150,000 from Bank of England ..	9,750 0 0	9,750 0 0	..	..
1st Instalment and Interest of Loan £10,000 from Economic Assurance Society ..	7,758 6 8	7,758 6 8	..	..
1 Year's Instalment and Interest on Loan of £50,000 from London Life Assurance Corporation	3,736 3 10	3,736 3 10	..	..
½ Year's Interest and Repayment of Loan of £150,000, sanctioned by Board 8th December, 1868	4,687 10 0	4,693 0 7	..	5 10 7
Compensations and Retired Allowances to late Officers.	1,174 8 3	1,174 8 3	..	..
Mortgage Debts, &c., of late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers— Repayment of Loan of £135,000, 5th Instalment..	13,500 0 0	13,500 0 0	..	..
Interest on Loan of £135,000, and Annuities	3,921 6 8	3,921 6 8	..	..
Parks and Open Spaces	..	485 0 4	..	485 0 4
Expenses under Petroleum Act	..	202 0 7	..	202 0 7
Testing Gas (under Acts of 1868)	..	101 5 11	..	101 5 11
	207,769 5 5	200,174 2 7	11,346 16 3	3,537 19 2
Deduct Excess of Expenditure			3,537 19 2	
			7,808 17 1	
Add— Interest on Cash Balances (less Interest paid to London and Westminster Bank on Temporary Loan) .. £1,154 4 6				
Amount received for Building Act Fees and for Plans sold 136 3 0				
			1,290 7 6	
			9,099 4 7	

Spring Gardens, S.W.,
22*nd November*, 1869.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £34,793 0s. 3d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the report as relates to the adjustment of Accounts in respect of temporary loans and establishment charges, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for the sum of £428,100 be drawn, in favour of the National Debt Commissioners, on the General Account, out of moneys raised by creation of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, in full discharge of the loan obtained from them upon the security of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for the sum of £2,383 9s. 6d. be drawn in favour of the National Debt Commissioners, for interest due on the 2nd February on the loan to be then fully repaid, chargeable to the Mansion House (New) Street Account, as an advance on account of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for the sum of £78,000 be drawn in favour of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, on the General Account, out of moneys raised by creation of Stock, being the second instalment of the loan of £460,000 to be advanced to them; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the cost of the Lisson Grove Branch of the Ranelagh Sewer, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the sums required for the year 1870, for the mortgage Debts, &c., of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, amounting to £16,813 16s. 8d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the sums required for the year 1870, for the repayment of Loans and Interest on the Mortgage Debts of the Board, amounting to £55,105 13s. 10d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the amount required for interest on, and repayment in respect of, the loan of £4,200,000 from the Bank of England for the purposes of the Main Drainage, viz.:—£233,990 9s. 3d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the amount required for interest on the loans from the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation and the Hand-in-Hand Insurance Company, for the purposes of the Fire Brigade, viz.:—£1,722 10s., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the sums required for works of construction, repair, cleansing, deodorising, and incidental expenses, in connection with the sewerage of the Metropolis, amounting together to £30,923, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the amounts required by the Board for the year 1870 for the working expenses of Crossness, Deptford, Cremorne, and Abbey Mills Pumping Stations (including rates, taxes, &c.), viz., £33,267 1s., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the sums required for the supervision and maintenance of Finsbury and Southwark Parks, amounting to £2,185 4s. 9d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the amount required for incidental expenses in connexion with Commons and Open Spaces, viz.:—£600, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Dalton—That the Estimate of the amount required for expenses in carrying out the Petroleum Acts, viz.:—£1,200, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Estimate of the amount required for expenses in connection with Dangerous Structures, viz.:—£700, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the sums required for salaries, wages, ordinary law and parliamentary expenses, printing, stationery &c., rent, taxes, office repairs and expenses, and compensation and retired allowances to late officers, amounting, with the deductions specified in the Estimate, to £53,798 6s. 5d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the amount required for the working expenses of the Fire Brigade, viz.:—£37,275 18s. 2d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the amount required for expenses under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, viz.:—£600, be approved and adopted.

6. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Statement, showing the Annual value of the property in the City of London, and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," based upon the County Rate Bases for the respective Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent, and also based upon the following Rates, relating to the parts within the said Metropolis in which there is no County Rate, as follows—

Parts.	*Rates or Bases.*
City of London	Bases for computing Contribution to Common Fund of the several Unions;
Liberty of Her Majesty's Tower of London	Liberty Rate of Tower of London;
Middle Temple and Inner Temple	City Police Rate;

and which Rates and Bases are made according to a like basis, such County and other Rates having been revised up to the present month, viz.—

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate or like Basis, January, 1870. £	£
LONDON, CITY:		
1 St. Alban, Wood-street	18,836	
2 Allhallows, Barking	41,097	
3 Allhallows, Bread-street	14,143	
4 Allhallows, Honey-lane	5,389	
5 Allhallows, Lombard-street	24,124	
6 Allhallows, London Wall	24,311	
7 Allhallows, Staining	21,792	
8 Allhallows-the-Great	18,122	
9 Allhallows-the-Less	9,010	
10 St. Alphage, London Wall	12,699	
11 St. Andrew Hubbard	13,449	
12 St. Andrew, Undershaft	50,097	
13 St. Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe	15,072	
14 St. Anne and St. Agnes, Aldersgate	7,782	
15 St. Ann, Blackfriars	18,553	
16 St. Antholin	10,535	
17 St. Augustine, Watling-street	10,375	
18 St. Bartholomew-by-the-Exchange	46,501	
19 St. Benet Fink	28,153	
20 St. Bennet, Gracechurch-street	9,399	
21 St. Bennet, Paul's Wharf	11,844	
22 St. Bennet, Sherehog	5,958	
23 St. Botolph, Billingsgate	13,292	
24 St. Clement, Eastcheap	16,491	
25 Christchurch, Newgate-street	31,324	
26 St. Christopher-le-Stock	18,892	
27 St. Dionis Backchurch	31,887	
28 St. Dunstan-in-the-East	71,546	
29 St. Edmund-the-King	31,132	
30 St. Ethelburga	18,237	
Carried forward		£650,042

	PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate or like Basis, January, 1870. £	£
	Brought forward	650,042	
31	St. Faith-under-St. Paul's	20,807	
32	St. Gabriel, Fenchurch-street	23,397	
33	St. George, Botolph-lane	3,510	
34	St. Gregory-by-St. Paul	41,176	
35	St. Helen, Bishopsgate	37,954	
36	St. James, Duke's-place	3,955	
37	St. James, Garlick Hythe	8,033	
38	St. John-the-Baptist, Wallbrook	10,182	
39	St. John-the-Evangelist	6,183	
40	St. John, Zachary	10,432	
41	St. Katharine Coleman	23,125	
42	St. Katharine Cree Church	26,319	
43	St. Lawrence, Jewry	32,247	
44	St. Lawrence, Pountney	11,401	
45	St. Leonard, Eastcheap	8,229	
46	St. Leonard, Foster-lane	7,321	
47	St. Magnus-the-Martyr	10,308	
48	St. Margaret, Lothbury	41,223	
49	St. Margaret Moses	9,999	
50	St. Margaret, New Fish-street	10,111	
51	St. Margaret Pattens	6,787	
52	St. Martin, Ludgate	18,270	
53	St. Martin Orgars	12,502	
54	St. Martin Outwich	27,321	
55	St. Martin, Pomroy	7,419	
56	St. Martin, Vintry	15,764	
57	St. Mary, Abchurch	19,410	
58	St. Mary, Aldermanbury	21,612	
59	St. Mary, Aldermary	10,044	
60	St. Mary Bothaw	7,817	
61	St. Mary-le-Bow	14,841	
62	St. Mary, Colechurch	12,953	
63	St. Mary-at-Hill	23,590	
64	St. Mary Magdalen, Milk-street	11,309	
65	St. Mary Magdalen, Old Fish-street	7,946	
66	St. Mary, Mounthaw	1,572	
67	St. Mary, Somerset	8,607	
68	St. Mary Staining	5,942	
69	St. Mary, Woolchurch Haw	19,395	
70	St. Mary, Woolnoth	34,333	
71	St. Matthew, Friday-street	10,929	
72	St. Michael Bassishaw	22,047	
73	St. Michael, Cornhill	58,588	
74	St. Michael, Crooked-lane	17,086	
75	St. Michael, Queenhithe	14,828	
76	St. Michael-le-Quern	9,706	
77	St. Michael, Paternoster Royal	6,393	
78	St. Michael, Wood-street	16,165	
79	St. Mildred, Bread-street	8,153	
80	St. Mildred, Poultry	22,114	
81	St. Nicholas Acons	18,961	
82	St. Nicholas, Cole Abbey	5,559	
83	St. Nicholas Olave	3,257	
84	St. Olave, Hart-street, with St. Nicholas-in-the-Shambles	49,376	
85	St. Olave, Old Jewry	12,389	
86	St. Olave, Silver-street	13,875	
87	St. Pancras, Soper-lane	6,885	
88	St. Peter, Cornhill	48,657	
89	St. Peter, near Paul's-wharf	5,982	
90	St. Peter-le-Poer	64,671	
	Carried forward	£1,699,009	

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate or like Basis, January, 1870. £	£
Brought forward	1,699,009	
91 St. Peter, Westcheap	13,689	
92 St. Stephen, Coleman-street	67,328	
93 St. Stephen, Walbrook	14,804	
94 St. Swithin, London Stone	16,017	
95 St. Thomas Apostle	11,201	
96 Holy Trinity-the-Less	5,101	
97 St. Vedast, Foster-lane	16,593	
98 Whitefriars, Precinct	6,906	
		1,850,648
EAST LONDON:—		
99 Glasshouse-yard (part of) (for other part see Holborn District)	1,502	
100 St. Botolph-without-Aldersgate	32,362	
100a St. Botolph-without-Aldgate (see Whitechapel District)	51,824	
101 St. Botolph-without-Bishopsgate	57,485	
102 St. Giles-without-Cripplegate	54,374	
		197,547
WEST LONDON:—		
103 Barnard's Inn	786	
104 Bridewell, Precinct of	6,305	
105 St. Andrew, Holborn (below the Bars) part of (for other part see Holborn District)	27,816	
106 St. Bartholomew-the-Great	12,636	
107 St. Bartholomew-the-Less	1,254	
108 St. Bride	48,876	
109 St. Dunstan-in-the-West	34,406	
110 St. Sepulchre-without-Newgate (part of) (for other part see Holborn District)	64,216	
111 Serjeant's Inn, Fleet-street	1,630	
112 Thavies Inn	1,383	
113 Saffron-hill, Hatton-garden, Ely-rents and Ely-place (part of) (for other part see Holborn District)	1,659	
		200,967
Total for the City of London		2,249,162
114 St. Marylebone	1,173,316	
115 St. Pancras	1,105,836	
116 Lambeth	770,000	
117 St. George, Hanover-square	1,241,180	
118 St. Mary, Islington	981,156	
119 St. Leonard, Shoreditch	446,420	
120 Paddington	920,544	
121 St. Matthew, Bethnal Green	275,508	
122 St. Mary, Newington, Surrey	280,000	
123 Camberwell	380,000	
124 St. James, Westminster	513,156	
125 St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell	264,744	
126 Chelsea	326,972	
127 St. Mary Abbott, Kensington	816,308	
128 St. Luke, Middlesex	243,812	
129 St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark	175,000	
130 Bermondsey	234,000	
131 St. George-in-the-East	205,475	
132 St. Martin-in-the-Fields	300,564	
133 Hamlet of Mile-end Old Town	255,552	
134 Woolwich	89,806	
135 Rotherhithe	126,000	
136 St. John, Hampstead	236,680	
		11,362,029
Whitechapel District — 137 St. Mary, Whitechapel	149,298	
138 Christchurch, Spitalfields	66,716	
139 St. Botolph-without-Aldgate	41,379	
140 Holy Trinity, Minories	7,839	
141 Precinct of St. Katharine	17,560	
142 Hamlet of Mile-end New Town	23,500	
143 Liberty of Norton Folgate	9,176	
144 Old Artillery Ground	5,715	
145 District of the Tower	4,625	
		325,808
Carried forward		£13,936,999

		PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate or like Basis, January, 1870. £	£
		Brought forward .		£13,936,999
Westminster District	146	St. Margaret	..	457,964
		St. John-the-Evangelist. . .		
Greenwich District	147	St. Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham . .	192,050	
	148	St. Nicholas, Deptford	16,500	
	149	Greenwich	148,890	
				357,440
Wandsworth District	150	Clapham	135,430	
	151	Tooting Graveney	12,000	
	152	Streatham	84,000	
	153	St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge . .	190,420	
	154	Wandsworth	97,870	
	155	Putney, including Roehampton . . .	64,500	584,220
Hackney District	156	Hackney	510,404	
	157	St. Mary, Stoke Newington . . .	60,384	
				570,788
St. Giles District	158	St. Giles-in-the-Fields . St. George, Bloomsbury	..	318,200
Holborn District	159	St. Andrew, Holborn, above Bars St. George-the-Martyr. . .	164,548	
	160	St. Sepulchre, Middlesex . . .	21,620	
	161	Saffron Hill, &c.	34,225	
	162	Liberty of Glasshouse Yard . . .	4,014	
				224,407
Strand District	163	St. Anne, Soho	102,068	
	164	St. Paul, Covent Garden . . .	52,028	
	165	Precinct of the Savoy	10,888	
	166	St. Mary-le-Strand	20,240	
	167	St. Clement Danes	108,952	
	168	Liberty of the Rolls	21,348	
				315,524
Fulham District	169	St. Peter & St. Paul, Hammersmith . .	179,440	
	170	Fulham	100,120	
				279,560
Limehouse District	171	St. Anne, Limehouse	105,272	
	172	St. John, Wapping	54,576	
	173	St. Paul, Shadwell , . . .	49,408	
	174	Hamlet of Ratcliff	64,168	
				273,424
Poplar District	175	All Saints, Poplar	259,636	
	176	St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow . . .	91,636	
	177	St. Leonard, Bromley	130,168	
				481,440
St. Saviour's District	178	Christchurch	67,000	
	179	St. Saviour (including Liberty of Clink) . .	127,000	
				194,000
Plumstead District	180	Charlton next Woolwich . . .	45,729	
	181	Plumstead	61,000	
	182	Eltham	25,421	
	183	Lee	61,665	
	184	Kidbrooke	14,613	
				208,428
Lewisham District	185	Lewisham including Sydenham Chapelry . .	207,289	
	186	Hamlet of Penge	95,000	
				302,289
		Carried forward .		£18,504,683

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.			Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate or like Basis, January, 1870. £	£
		Brought forward		18,504,683
St. Olave District	187	St. Olave	71,000	
	188	St. Thomas, Southwark	10,500	
	189	St. John, Horselydown	59,500	
				141,000
190		The Charter House	1,948	
191		Gray's Inn	13,248	
				15,196
192		The Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter.	2,012	
193		Inner Temple	19,866	
194		Middle Temple	13,000	
195		Lincoln's Inn	17,732	
196		Staple Inn	2,580	
197		Furnival's Inn	3,168	
				58,358
		Total		£18,719,237

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the several sums agreed to this day, for the Expenses of the Board for the year 1870, be apportioned on the City of London, and the several Parishes and parts liable thereto, on the rentals of the County and other Rates now presented; that, in making such apportionment, no part of the expenses connected with the Petroleum Acts and the duties of the Board under the Dangerous Structures Acts be charged upon the City of London; that such apportionment be submitted to the Board this day fortnight, that a copy thereof be transmitted to each Member of the Board previously thereto, and that Precepts in accordance therewith be prepared.

It was moved by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the thanks of the Board be given to Mr. Richardson for the course taken by him with regard to carrying out the provisions of the Loans Act.

The Chairman having ruled that the motion was not in order, and that notice had better be given, Mr. Dresser Rogers announced his intention of giving notice of motion on the subject.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, the Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Woolwich Local Board of Health, dated the 28th instant, stating that a considerable reduction had been made, on appeal, in the amount of the County Rate assessment of Woolwich.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That, subject to the statement contained in the letter being duly verified, the Accountant be instructed to prepare the Precept to the Woolwich Local Board on the basis of the reduced assessment.

7. Mr. Legg, in the absence of Mr. Collinson, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 24th January, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have drawn cheques for payments connected with the several Improvements, as follows—

Whitechapel Improvement.

Plumpton, R. J., Collector—			
Land Tax, year ending 5th April, 1870	51 18 0		
House Duty and Property Tax, No. 11, Goodman's Stile ..	2 0 10		
		53 18 10	
Carried forward ..			£53 18 10

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d
Brought forward	..			53	18	10
Stingo Lane Improvement.						
Re Boole—						
Merriman and Pike—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	28	3	5			
Re Wharton—						
Wharton, William—Purchase-money, Leasehold, "The Apple Tree" Beerhouse	900	0	0			
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	20	0	0			
Re Macnalley—						
Macnalley, George—Purchase-money, Leasehold—Nos. 13 and 14, Stingo Lane	250	0	0			
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	9	0	0			
				1,207	3	5
Southern Embankment.						
Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners—						
White, J., and Buckston—Taxed Costs of Title and Conveyance				171	0	7
Mansion House Street.						
Re Bridewell Hospital—						
Marrable, F.—Surveyor's Valuation Charges, under 85th Section	87	0	0			
Re St. Mary Magdalen—						
Godwin, C., Collector—Deficiency in sundry Poor Rates, from 4th October, 1867, to 12th November, 1869	59	10	2			
Re Walbrook Ward—						
White, E., Collector—Deficiency in Land Tax Assessments, year ending 5th April, 1870	33	0	0			
Re United Parishes of St. Stephen Walbrook, and St. Benet Sherehog—						
White, E., Collector—One Quarter's Rent in lieu of Tithes, due Christmas, 1869	14	6	0			
				193	16	2
				£1,625	19	0

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from the Native Guano Company, Limited, with reference to their mode of utilizing sewage, and offering to treat with the Board for a concession of the sewage on the south side of the River Thames, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo, (No. 2). It is scarcely necessary to remind the Board of the frequent discussions which have taken place, and the steps which have from time to time been adopted, with a view to a definite and satisfactory conclusion being come to with regard to the disposal, to the best advantage, of the sewage of the Metropolis. Your Committee deem it sufficient, in reporting upon the present communication, to intimate their conviction that it is the absolute duty of the Board, in the interest of the ratepayers, to examine thoroughly every reasonable scheme submitted to them for the utilization of sewage. With regard to the letter now referred, your Committee, after a careful consideration of the statements submitted by the Company in support of their scheme, are of opinion that a sufficient case has been made out to justify the Board in following up their inquiry into this matter by a personal inspection of the works of the Company at Leamington. They beg to recommend, therefore, that the Board do, at an early period, visit the works of the Company for the purpose of investigating their system of treating sewage, and that, in the meantime, the Clerk be instructed to obtain all the information he can upon the subject, and transmit the same to each Member of the Board.

In compliance with your resolution of the 21st instant, (No. 22), your Committee have considered the report of the Engineer on a letter from Mr. John Fowler, Engineer of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, submitting for the approval of the Board, a plan for carrying a flue from the Temple station of the railway under the approach road from Norfolk-street to the Thames Embankment. Under the 45th section of their Act of 1864, the Com-

pany are authorized to carry a flue under the Approach-road, subject to the approval of this Board. The flue proposed is to be of brick, 3 feet high, and 2 feet wide, internal dimensions, the top of the covering arch being about 1 ft. 8 in. below the intended surface of the road, and the whole being carried upon concrete piers and arches brought up from a solid foundation many feet below the intended road surface. Your Committee learn from the Engineer that this arrangement would render the passage of gas or water pipes along the street very inconvenient, and that it is desirable that Mr. Fowler should be requested to amend the plan by leaving 3 feet clearance between the top of the flue and the surface, or by some other suggestions to overcome the objection above referred to, and, subject to such modifications, your Committee beg to recommend that the plan be approved.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the question of enforcing penalties against the Gas Companies in respect of defective illuminating power and purity of the gas supplied. In connection with this subject the Solicitor has expressed an opinion, in which Counsel concurs, that the appointment of Gas Examiner should be under seal, and not simply by resolution. As Mr. Keates was only appointed by a resolution of the Board, your Committee have instructed the Solicitor to prepare and submit to the Board a formal instrument appointing Mr. Keates as Gas Examiner under the Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, and your Committee recommend that the Seal of the Board be affixed to it.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CYRUS LEGG,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT,
F. H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the Board do, at an early period to be fixed by them, visit the works of the Native Guano Company at Leamington, for the purpose of investigating their system of treating sewage, and that, in the meantime, the Clerk be instructed to obtain all the information he can upon the subject, and transmit the same to each Member of the Board.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Hows—"That, "before going to Leamington, the Board inquire into the nature of the works which have "been adopted at Tottenham, and especially whether the system of the Native Guano "Company has been tried in that parish."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

The **original motion** was then put and carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That, on condition that the Plan submitted by Mr. Fowler, on behalf of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, showing the proposed method of carrying a flue from the Temple Station under the approach road to Norfolk-street, be amended, so as to leave 3 feet clearance between the top of the flue and the surface of the road, or in some other way that will not interfere with the passage of gas or water-pipes along the street, the Board do approve the same.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a formal Order appointing Mr. Keates, Gas Examiner, under the provisions of the Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, 1868.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said order of appointment; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

8. Read a Report, as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
28th January, 1870.

Petroleum Acts, 1862 and 1868.

Memorandum relative to Licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying Schedule there are nine applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of five calendar months and three days from the 28th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
Bethnal Green	Furness, Robt.	14,704	63, Roman Road, Victoria Park	8	Yard P. d.
,,	Adams, Edmund	14,714	26, Prospect Place, Cambridge Heath	1 qt.	Shop btls.
Clerkenwell	Saul, D. H.	14,710	27, Upper Rosoman Street	60	Stable P.d.
Fulham	Walton, Hassell, & Port	14,709	22, Broadway, Hammersmith	40	Brick and Iron store in Yard P.d.
,,	,,	,,	174, King Street, Hammersmith	1	Shop P. c.
Paddington	Mayhew, Austin	14,696	111, Cirencester Street, Harrow Road	2 qts.	Shop btls.
Plumstead	Francis, Henry	14,699	86, Plumstead Road	10	Shed P. d.
,,	Clarke, Wm. H.	14,715	51, ,,	1 qt.	Shop btls.
St. Pancras.	Salmon, Joseph	14,636	143, Queen's Crescent, Malden Road, Kentish Town	1	Yard P. c.

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th January, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
SAINT MARYLEBONE.				
Marlborough and Blenheim-mews, Carlton-hill	318	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Princess-street, Lisson-grove	118	12 inch.	Pipe.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
Iverson-road, Loveridge-road, Maygrove-road, and Ariel-street, British Land Company's Estate, Kilburn ..	About 922	3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″	1 brick.	Recommended for approval, subject to the sewer being first constructed along the Edgware-road as an outlet for the several sewers shown on the Plan, and to ample provision being first made for the drainage of the land north of the point B, which is now taken by the brick sewer there proposed to be abandoned.
	1,475	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	1 brick.	
	1,468	15 inch.	Pipe.	
	1,681	12 inch.	Pipe.	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to execute the works therein recommended.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th January, 1870, on a letter from the Woolwich Local Board, forwarding a letter from the Thames Conservators, relative to a drain pipe being exposed above the level of the foreshore at North Woolwich; stating that the sewer in question was not under the control of the Board, and that he presumed the Board would decline to admit any liability in connection with it.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication in accordance therewith be addressed to the Woolwich Local Board.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th January, 1870, on a letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, requesting that better provision might be made for the temporary accommo-

dation of the traffic in Trinity-street and Plough-road, during the progress of the sewerage works there; stating that the contractor had been in communication with the parish authorities, and had made such arrangements as were required.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th January, 1870, on a letter from Mr. J. Eshelby, calling attention to the condition of Churchill-road, Kentish Town; stating that the matter was one for the consideration of the Vestry of St. Pancras, and recommending that Mr. Eshelby be so informed, and that a copy of his letter be sent to the Vestry.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

13. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Navigation Bill and the Thames Embankment Roadway Bill had passed the Examiners on Standing Orders, and that Mr. Smith, M.P. for Westminster, had consented to allow his name to appear on the latter.

14. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. Nicholson, the contractor, dated the 20th instant, requesting that Mr. Moss might be allowed to defend, on his behalf, any proceedings taken by Mr. West for alleged injury to his property caused by the execution of the sewerage works in Plough-road, Bermondsey.

Resolved—That Mr. Nicholson's request be complied with.

15. The Solicitor reported that the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath, was appointed to be heard on the 11th February next.

16. The Solicitor presented a print of the notes of the judgment in the case of Smith *v.* Earl Brownlow relative to Berkhampstead Common.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board two letters from Messrs. Burchells, dated the 25th and 27th instant, relative to the discharge of steam from the engines of the Hammersmith and City Railway into the sewers at Hammersmith, stating that the complaint of the Board had been referred to the Engineer of the Great Western Railway Company, who constructed the works, and that prompt consideration would be given to it.

Resolved—That no further proceedings be taken by the Solicitor at present, but that the Engineer do at once report to him in the event of there being any further cause of complaint.

18. The Solicitor presented a statement of the amounts realised at the sale by auction of the ground rents in Southwark-street on the 25th instant, showing that plots from 1 to 30 had been sold for the sum of £80,180, with the exception of plot 28, which was not sold.

19. The Solicitor reported that the East London Tramway Bills would not be proceeded with.

20. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Annual Reports of the City of Berlin and the Borough of Preston, and a Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the City of Manchester. The Clerk reported that he had conveyed the thanks of the Board to the various Municipal Authorities for sending the documents in question.

21. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Ellis, dated the 22nd instant, transmitting, a copy of resolutions of the Hackney District Board, with reference to the proposed works of the Great Eastern Railway Company across Hackney Downs.

Resolved—That the letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

22. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. Daw, Clerk to the City Commissioners of Sewers, dated the 26th instant, requesting a cheque for the sum of £942, which the Board, on the 19th October, 1866, agreed to contribute towards the cost of widening a portion of Fenchurch-street.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Superintending Architect for a certificate as to the completion of the work.

23. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. H. Sturmy, Clerk to the St. Saviour's District Board, dated the 21st instant, requesting the sanction of the Board to their borrowing the sum of £2,000 for paving a portion of Blackfriars-road.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

24. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Ellis, Clerk to the Hackney District Board, dated the 21st instant, requesting this Board to pass an Order for the re-numbering of John-street, Cambridge Heath; also a letter from Mr. Barth, Clerk to the Poplar District Board, dated the 22nd instant, suggesting the advisability of that portion of the Barking-road extending from the Western entrance of the East India Docks to the River Lee, being incorporated with the East India Dock Road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the said letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

25. The Clerk laid before the Board the following letter—

Oakland Lodge, Perry Vale, Forest Hill.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works. 24th January, 1870.

GENTLEMEN—It is a source of great satisfaction to myself, and many others in this neighbourhood, that you are disposed to undertake the Water Supply for the Metropolis. The present system I can only characterize as a *filthy* monopoly.

Although I live in what is considered one of the most favoured districts, our supply of water is miserably deficient in quantity, and too frequently disgusting in quality. I have often felt this so strongly, that I have been disposed to forward a bottle of the water with which we are supplied to the *Times* office, or to your Board for inspection.

Any complaint on the subject to the Company, is either disregarded, or treated with the usual stereotyped excuse of *too much rain*, &c., &c. The charge for water is considerably over 1s. in the £ of rental, and I quite despair of any *real improvement* until the question is taken up by your Honourable Board.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. E. OUTRAM.

26. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the Paper of Business for this day, be deferred until the Meeting of the Board on Friday next.

27. The consideration of the notice of motion by Mr. Dresser Rogers, for a return of all expenses incurred in the repair, &c., of Fire Brigade Stations, and of the notice of motion by Mr. Legg as to the Fair-Copying, were adjourned until Friday next.

28. The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and the following **motion** by Mr. Freeman thereon, viz.—

> That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report, the consideration of which was adjourned on Friday last, (No. 14).

A further **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Roche, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Shaw—"That this Board does not concur in the conclusion arrived at by the Royal Com-"mission on Water supply, viz.:—'That the constant service system cannot be effectually "'carried out in London, so long as the supply remains in the hands of private Com-"'panies.'"

"That this Board concurs in the general policy enunciated in the Report of the Select "Committee on East London Water Bills (1867), viz:—'That every Metropolitan Water "'Company should be compelled to afford a constant supply of water within the Metropolitan "'area, so that it may be drawn direct from the pipes at all times during the 24 hours'; and "that this Board should be entrusted with adequate powers of compelling the Companies to "fulfil their obligations."

"That the general principles enunciated in the following paragraphs of the Report of the "Select Committee meet with the approval of the Board, viz.:—

> 69. "For these and other reasons, which will be found in the evidence, and in the paper of Dr. Farr, "No. 7 in the Appendix, and the report of Captain Tyler, which are full of interest, your Com-"mittee have come to the conclusion that the Act of 1852 has failed to secure for the inhabitants "the advantage which they ought to have long since enjoyed of a well-regulated supply of water

"in their houses for domestic purposes; your Committee therefore recommend that the Act "should be amended by providing that every Company should afford a constant supply of water "to each house, so that the water may be drawn direct from the Company's pipes at all times "during the 24 hours with the exceptions hereinafter mentioned."

70. "It is right, however, to observe that this recommendation cannot be carried into effect unless "adequate provisions are also made to prevent the waste of water which may arise from its being "constantly laid on in every house. To determine how far water may be, and is in fact now "wasted in the metropolis, much evidence has been given which is deserving of notice."

88. "Considering the improvements that are constantly taking place, both in economy and perfect- "ness of construction in mechanical contrivances, and the difficulty of providing against incon- "venience which may arise, Your Committee do not think it desirable that any precise mode of "effecting a constant house supply, or any particular kind of apparatus, should be enjoined in a "statute, but that the Companies should be required in conjunction with the Metropolitan Board "of Works, to frame rules, with power to alter them in like manner, for the purpose of "prescribing the arrangements within the house to carry out the general principles above "noticed, and that any violation of these rules should be penal."

90. "The constant supply of water to each house thus recommended will no doubt entail upon the "Companies a watchful supervision on the internal fittings and apparatus, for which sufficient "powers are contained in the Acts above noticed; but as they will be relieved of the trouble and "expense of turning on the water, which they now have to do under the intermittent system, "Your Committee do not consider that the Companies have any valid objection or claim to "indemnity on this account."

91. "But though every arrangement may be made by the Companies, assisted by legislation, for the "proper supply of Water to each house, experience has shown that it is absolutely necessary "to invoke the aid of some constituted authority to ensure the houses being in a state that the "inhabitants will receive it under such conditions as are essential for health, by enforcing a "compliance with the provisions of any law which Parliament may deem requisite."

98. "The Act of 1847 contemplated the appointment of inspectors for the purpose of securing an "efficient discharge of the obligations of the Water Companies, but as the districts supplied by "the Companies are not conterminous with those under the jurisdiction of district local autho- "rities, it is obvious that much inconvenience might arise from the independent action of several "inspectors over the operations of each Company. But the Metropolitan Board of Works, under "the Metropolitan Building Acts, appoints surveyors for the purpose of enforcing compliance "with those Acts throughout the Metropolis, and as the surveyors are persons of skill, and have "analogous duties to perform, they might be advantageously employed as inspectors for the pur- "pose of seeing that houses are fitted with proper arrangements for the supply of water for all "purposes. Your Committee therefore recommend that the Metropolitan Board should be "required to cause an inspection of all houses, and a report to be made on all defects in the "supply of water either for consumption or for waterclosets or privies, and that the Board should "be required to compel every house to be supplied with water and every privy with a flushing "apparatus, as recommended in the foregoing part of this Report."

100. "Your Committee recommend that whatever charges may be payable to the Companies from the "owners or occupiers under the foregoing recommendations, should be recoverable by them with "the same facility as their water rates, and that the provisions of section 34 of the Act of 1866 "above noticed, should also be extended to all expenses incurred by the Metropolitan Board, or "any other local authority in making arrangements for ensuring an adequate domestic supply."

105. "It has been represented to your Committee, on the part of the Metropolitan Board, that in "consequence of the supply of water being intermittent, the inhabitants have not derived the "benefit they are entitled to expect from this provision, and that in consequence of the plugs "being unsuitable, the water cannot be at once discharged upon a fire without the intervention "of an engine as it otherwise might be. It would seem that when the supply is intermittent, "the full pressure of the water at the particular time cannot be obtained until all the receptacles "for water served by the main are filled, and the supply to them thus arrested, and that in order "to obtain a full supply it is not merely necessary to draw the plug, but to understand the use of "all the sluice cocks in the neighbourhood. These inconveniences would be entirely obviated by "adopting the recommendation already made of a constant supply."

108. "It is right to observe that the change of system recommended cannot be introduced at once "throughout the metropolis, but each Company must carefully examine and have put in order "the fittings in the district supplied by a main, before the water is constantly laid on. To "ensure this being done in due time, your Committee recommend that the Metropolitan Board "should be empowered to direct, from time to time, within what period the constant supply "should be introduced into each separate street or district. Your Committee think it right, "however, that power should be reserved to the occupiers of houses of above £20 annual value, "and not inhabited by more than a single family, to decline to avail themselves of a constant "supply."

112. "The law relating to the domestic supply of water in the metropolis, being scattered through "the two General Acts of 1847 and 1852, and the Local Acts of the Companies, is by no means "so clear as is desirable. Your Committee therefore recommend that the provisions of all the "Acts on this subject should be repealed, and one uniform Act, in clear terms, and introducing "the amendments suggested by the foregoing recommendations, should be substituted, which "may be readily understood both by the inhabitants and the local authorities of the metropolis, "as well as by the Companies."

After discussion, it was **moved** by Mr. Healey, and seconded by Mr. Nicholay—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next, at two o'clock.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, a division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—8.	
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Roche, C. M., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Nicholay.

Against the Motion—21.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Barker, C. S., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

And it was lost.

Read a letter from Mr. R. Finnis, dated 28th January, 1870, transmitting a copy of a resolution from the Board of Works for the St. Giles's District, on the subject of the water supply.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the communication be entered on the minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly.

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District,
Office, 199, Holborn, W.C., 28th January, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward to you a copy of a Resolution passed by the above Board at a Meeting held this day, and shall feel obliged if you will lay the same before the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBT. FINNIS, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District.

Extract from the Minutes of a Meeting of the above Board, held on Friday the 28th day of January, 1870.

Present—Mr. B. H. Adams in the Chair, and 14 other gentlemen.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved, that, in the opinion of this Board, it is inexpedient to empower the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase the interests of the Water Companies.

Extracted.
(Signed) ROBT. FINNIS, Clerk.

28th January, 1870.

The debate was then resumed, and the **amendment** was subsequently put to the vote, and declared to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—10.		Against the Amendment—18.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Barker, C. S., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage J., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Legg C., Esq.		Cook, E. R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
		Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
		Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
		Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Roche.		Teller—Mr. Freeman.	

It was **moved** by Mr. Savage, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next, at two o'clock.

The **motion** having been put to the vote was declared to be lost.

It was subsequently arranged, however, after further discussion, that the debate should be so adjourned, and it was—

Resolved accordingly.

29. The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the fact that one of the Board's officers Mr. Thomas Holland, the keeper of the Record-room, had, for some time, been suffering from severe illness, and he laid before the Board a letter from Dr. Saunders, medical officer of the Fire Brigade, relative to Mr. Holland's condition. The Chairman suggested that the subject should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, to consider and report what steps were necessary to be adopted.

Resolved—That the suggestion of the Chairman be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee accordingly.

30. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace Alexander, on behalf of Mr. A. Waterer, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house, three storeys in height, in Queen's-road, Peckham, at the corner of Burchell-road and in a line with the one-storey shops adjoining, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

31. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Yates, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of houses in Shepherd's Bush-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

32. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William S. R. Payne, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of a house in Shooter's Hill-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

33. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. Barlow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop at the corner of Wellington-street and Shacklewell-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that, previously to the commencement of building operations, the vacant ground between the proposed building and the dotted line shown on the Plan, be given up and added to the footway, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

34. Holborn, &c.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of the Rev. W. T. T. Webber, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a projecting wooden hood over the entrance door of the house No. 4, Red Lion-square, according to either of the designs submitted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Hall—That the application be granted, and that the applicant be permitted to adopt either of the proposed designs on condition that the roof be covered with slate.

35. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Horwood, on behalf of Mr. Venables, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 162, Barnsbury-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed that of the adjoining shop, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles B. Hammond, for permission to erect a framework of iron, to contain a two dial clock, in front of the premises No. 136, High-street, Notting-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted, and that the attention of the Vestry be called to the matter.

37. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Samuel Dowsing, on behalf of Mr. Drabble, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a conservatory of iron and glass at No. 1, Pembridge-square, Notting-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed conservatory be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the erection be made in the entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not, at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Raphael Brandon, for the consent of the Board to the lines of frontage proposed for St. Saviour's National Schools, about to be erected at the corner of Sherland-road and Formosa-terrace, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

39. St. James, Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Knight, on behalf of Viscount Sydney, for permission to extend a verandah over a portico, approved by the Board on the 7th January last (No. 54), in front of the house, No. 3, Cleveland-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

40. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lucas, Brothers, that a temporary workshop, stable, and buildings erected upon land near Downs Park-road, Lower Clapton, in connection with their works for the Great Eastern Metropolitan Extension Railway, sanctioned by the Board on the 5th May, 1865, (No. 56), might be allowed to remain for a further period.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the buildings be removed within four months from this date.

41. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of the Rev. D. Mc Anally, for an extension of the time which was granted

by the Board on the 20th July, 1866, (No. 55), for the use of a temporary iron church at the corner of Robin Hood-lane, Penge.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, and that the church be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months, from this date.

42. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Sadd, on behalf of Mr. Henry Simpson, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a greenhouse of iron and glass proposed to be erected on the lead flat at the rear of the house, No. 5, Hanover-place, Park-road, Regent's-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

43. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Teulon and Cronk, for the approval by the Board of the erection of three cottages in continuation of Tyne-terrace, High-street, Peckham, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that, in order to widen the roadway, the wall in front of the proposed cottages be removed within three months from the present time, and that no fence be re-constructed there at any future time.

44. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Reid, on behalf of the trustees of the late Mr. W. Wilson, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four new roads to lead into Albany-road and Union-road; also for the continuation of an existing road, and of the names "Bindley," "Challis," "Frankley," "Halliday," and "Olston"-streets, for the new roads.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted.

45. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Humphrey, on behalf of Mr. Coles Child, for the approval by the Board of the re-erection of a fence, enclosing ground on one side of a narrow way leading from Lower Chester-street, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that should any buildings be erected on the ground at a future time, they be set back, so as to leave a clear roadway of 40 feet.

46. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Davies, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a court, 20 feet in width, to lead into Brunswick-street, South Hackney.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

47. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th January, 1870, on the application of the Rev. Henry Venn, for the incorporation of Cromwell Gardens and Cromwell Houses with Cromwell-road, under the latter name, and for the re-numbering of the houses therein consecutively.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. Holborn.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of the Rev. W. T. T. Webber, for an extension of the time which was granted by the Board on the 14th May, 1869,(No. 7), for the use of the entrance passage at No. 4, Red Lion-square, as an access to a temporary Church at the rear.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the application be granted, and that the use of the entrance as at present be permitted for a period of twelve months from this date.

49. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Tall, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a factory, cottages, houses, and stores, with walls of Portland cement concrete, in Lawson-street, Dover-road, Southwark, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, and that a license, subject to the usual conditions, be issued to the applicant.

50. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Webb and Son, for the approval by the Board of the construction of projecting eaves to two villas in Park-lane, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted.

51. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th January, 1870, stating that the name "Boyd-street" which was approved by the Board on Friday last (No. 66), for a new street to lead out of High-street, Homerton, was already in use in the Metropolis, and suggesting the substitution of the name "Nisbet-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That so much of the Order of the Board of the 21st instant, (No. 66), as approves of the name "Boyd-street" for a proposed new street to lead out of High-street, Homerton, be not acted on, and that the name "Nisbet-street" be applied to the said street.

Adjourned until Friday, the 4th February next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 5.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **4th** day of **February**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
John Runtz, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.		
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.		
Thomas John White, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 28th January last were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. The Chairman informed the Board that he had paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, the cheque for £428,100, the balance of the Loans made by them to the Board, and the cheque for £2,383 9s. 6d., for the interest thereon, which were drawn by the Board on Friday last, and had received the following letter—

National Debt Office, 2nd February, 1870.

Sir—I am directed by the Commissioners to transmit to you the enclosed Bonds of the Metropolitan Board of Works, the whole of the sums secured by them having been repaid to the Commissioners as certified thereon, and the interest on the several Bonds up to the time of repayment having been also paid, viz. :—

Bond dated	23rd January, 1866,	for £100,000
,,	5th February ,,	100,000
,,	5th March ,,	100,000
,,	1st April, 1867	150,000
,,	1st May ,,	150,000
,,	1st June ,,	150,000
,,	9th July ,,	60,000
,,	1st August ,,	40,000
,,	do. do. ,,	20,000
,,	1st October ,,	110,000

I am further directed to request that you will acknowledge the receipt of these Bonds.

As the whole of the several Loans made by the Commissioners to the Metropolitan Board of Works and guaranteed by the Treasury under the Act 27-8, Victoria, cap. 61, have now been repaid, with the interest due thereon, the Lords of the Treasury will be informed that the Treasury guarantee, so far as relates to these sums, is at an end, and that the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt have no further claim upon the Thames Embankment and Metropolitan Improvement Fund.

I have the honour to be, &c.,
(Signed) C. REPINGTON, Assistant Secretary.

Sir J. Thwaites, Chairman,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Chairman laid before the Board the ten Bonds referred to, duly cancelled.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Clerk do acknowledge the receipt of the said Bonds.

3. Mr. Richardson, at the request of the Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 31st January, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn Cheques for the undermentioned sums, for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

					£	s.	d.	£ s. d.
			Whitechapel Improvement.					
Re Hawkins—								
Park, A. A., and Wigram, C. H.—Rents, Church Lane, from Midsummer, 1869, to 1st February, 1870	..	..	£86	1 8				
Less Tax	..	..	1	15 10				
					84	5	10	
Young, Maples, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance		..			118	7	9	
								202 13 7
			Kensington Improvement.					
Re Sich—								
Budd and Son—Costs of Title and Conveyance		..	..	..				50 0 0
			Stingo Lane Improvement.					
Re Fagg—								
Fagg, Edward—Purchase-money, Leasehold, No. 15, Stingo Lane				..				425 0 0
			Thames Embankment, North.					
Offley, C. H., Collector—								
Income Tax and House Duty on No. 7, Fountain Court			..	..				3 10 0
			Mansion House Street.					
Re Cheap Ward—								
Curwood, I., Collector—Police and other Rates, due Michaelmas, 1869	..	..	..	..	6	18	4	
Re Webb—								
Wax Chandlers' Co., per H. Gregory, Clerk— Two Years' Rent Charge on premises in Addle Hill, due Christmas, 1869	..	£4	10	0				
Less Tax	..	..	..	0	2	0		
					4	8	0	
								11 6 4
								£692 9 11

In compliance with the resolution of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 13), your Committee have considered the report of the Engineer relative to the Clerks of Works employed on the Southern Embankment. This report, it will be remembered, was presented in pursuance of the Order of the Board of the 19th February, 1869, directing the Engineer to report the approaching completion of any particular work, in order that the Board might decide as to the retention, or otherwise, of the services of the Clerks of Works employed thereon. Although the Embankment has now been open for the last two months, there still remain some few works, to complete which requires the supervision of a Clerk of Works, but, since the subject was referred to your Committee, arrangements have been made for dispensing with the services of Mr. Whitaker from the 2nd of February, and consequently, after that date, only one Clerk of Works, Mr. John Bennett, who is the senior and superior officer of the two, will be employed in superintending the works remaining to be done. Your Committee beg to report this fact for the information of the Board.

Your Committee beg to recommend—

That the reference of the 23rd December, 1869, (No. 17), with respect to the employment of Clerks of Works to superintend the works of the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramway Company, &c., be discharged, it having been ascertained that no Clerks of Works will be required for the purpose.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from the Committee of the British Association on the treatment and utilization of sewage, thanking the Board for their promised assistance in the investigation of the subject of the utilization of sewage, and asking them to subscribe towards the cost of the investigation, referred by the Board on the 21st instant (No. 36). The letter to which the Committee of the Association refer, was written in pursuance of the Order of the Board of the 7th instant (No. 3), and was to the effect that the Board would have much pleasure in affording the Association every facility in their power for making experiments with the Sewage of the Metropolis. In their present communication the Committee of the Association, while thanking the Board for the promised assistance, call attention to the fact that they cannot undertake their arduous and important labours, unless a substantial fund is raised to defray the heavy expenses contingent upon such an extended investigation, and they, therefore, ask the Board to assist them with a subscription commensurate with the importance of the subject. With every wish to further the efforts of the Association, your Committee feel that it does not come within the province of the Board to afford pecuniary aid to the proposed investigation, and they recommend that the Committee of the Association be informed that the Board have no power to comply with their request.

Your Committee have also considered the letter from Mr. Dangerfield, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, transmitting a copy of a letter addressed by the Vestry to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, &c., urging that the surplus land reclaimed from the foreshore of the River Thames, should be kept as an open space, referred by the Board on the 21st instant, (No. 39). The Vestry call the attention of the Commissioners to the terms of the Thames Embankment Act, by which it was provided that the land reclaimed from the foreshore should be left open for public recreation and amusement; and, observe that, contrary to these provisions, in a Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests, dated 31st June, 1869, and presented to the House of Commons, it is stated that a portion of such land between Waterloo and Charing Cross Bridges is suitable, and immediately available, for building purposes. The Vestry urge, for reasons stated in their letter to the Commissioners, that the latter should not exercise, nor seek to obtain power to build on the sites. It does not appear to your Committee that the Board can interfere in this matter, and they recommend that the Vestry be informed that it is one which is not within the jurisdiction of the Board.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. Haywood, stating that the Commissioners of Sewers are prepared to accept the Board's terms of £5,250 for the slip of ground proposed to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, and asking whether the Board will grant their usual contribution. On the 9th July last, (No. 4), your Committee, reporting on a previous letter from Mr. Haywood, recommended that he should be informed that the Superintending Architect's valuation of the ground in question, which is situated between Rutland-place and Addle-hill, was estimated at £5,250. This valuation, it appears, the Commissioners are prepared to accept if the Board will comply with their request for a contribution towards the cost of carrying out the improvement. Since the receipt of Mr. Haywood's last letter, your Committee have inspected the locality; but, having regard to all the circumstances, and to the large quantity of ground which the Board have already given up in connection with the formation of the New-street, as well as to the contributions which they have, from time to time, granted to the Commissioners, your Committee are not prepared, in this instance, to advise the Board to accede to the request. They recommend that a communication to this effect be addressed to Mr. Haywood.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the letter from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that the leases of Nos. 79, 81, and 82, Queen-street, are about to expire, and that a favourable opportunity will thus be presented for widening and improving that portion of the street by setting back the premises to the improved line already

adopted; and asking the Board to co-operate with the Commissioners in carrying out the improvements, referred by the Board on the 14th instant (No. 9). In accordance with their usual custom, your Committee have visited the site of the proposed improvement, but looking to the large amount already expended by the Board in increasing the width of a portion of Queen-street to 50 feet, your Committee consider that the Board would not be justified in acceding to the present request, and they recommend that the Commissioners be informed that the Board are not prepared to contribute to the cost of the improvement.

In accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 21st instant (No. 4), your Committee have also considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that it has been proposed to remove the Church of St. Mildred, Poultry, and that an arrangement has been made with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by which a portion of the site, as shown on the Plan accompanying the Memorial, is to be laid into the public way at a cost of £4,000, independent of surveying and legal charges, and asking the Board to contribute towards the same. On visiting the site of the proposed improvement, your Committee were impressed with its importance, which, as urged by the Commissioners, is rendered more particularly evident on account of its being exactly at the point where Queen Victoria-street joins the Poultry, and where the confluence of traffic, already very great, is likely to be largely increased If carried out, an additional width of from 16 feet to 16 feet 6 inches will be given to the Poultry for a distance of 63 feet, and a very valuable improvement be effected, towards the cost of which the Board may, in the opinion of your Committee, very properly contribute. Your Committee, therefore, beg to recommend—

That the Board do contribute one half the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £2,000, and that it be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, requesting the Board to contribute to an improvement proposed to be effected by setting back Nos. 49, and 50, Threadneedle-street, at a cost of £13,982, independent of all legal and surveying costs, referred by the Board on the 17th December last (No.4). It is represented by the Commissioners that, in the year 1864, negotiations were commenced for purchasing the freehold houses in question, with a view to widen and improve the thoroughfare in continuation of an improvement commenced there some years ago. Owing to certain circumstances detailed in the memorial, great delay was occasioned in effecting the arrangement, which however, at length has been completed, and the cost is ascertained to be £13,982, independent of all legal and surveying costs. Your Committee have given careful attention to the subject of this memorial, and, having regard to all the circumstances, they are not prepared to recommend the Board to contribute to the cost of the improvement.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS LEGG.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the reference to the Committee on the 23rd December last (No. 17), with respect to the employment of Clerks of Works to superintend the works of the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramway Company, &c., be discharged.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the Committee of the British Association be informed, in reply to their letter asking the Board to subscribe towards the cost of their proposed investigation of the subject of the utilization of sewage, that the Board regret that they have no power to comply with the request.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson and seconded—That the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields be informed, in reply to their communication on the subject of the preservation as an

open space, of land reclaimed from the river, along the Thames Embankment, North, that the matter is one which is not within the jurisdiction of this Board.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Westerton—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Richardson and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from Mr. Haywood with reference to the slip of ground proposed to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, be approved.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report of the Committee as relates to the improvements in Upper Thames-street, Queen-street, the Poultry, and Threadneedle-street, be referred back to them, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman, to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

4. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 1st February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Sub-Engineer G. Smoker, who was in charge of the South Hackney Station, has been brought before them for assaulting and fighting with one of the other men at the Station, and continuing the disturbance in the open street. Your Committee have inquired into the circumstances and find that the quarrel was commenced by Smoker entirely without grounds, and that he displayed a complete absence of that self-control which is one of the chief essentials for an Officer in charge of a Station. Your Committee are of opinion that he is not fit for the position of an officer, and they recommend—

That he be reduced to the bottom of the list of First-Class Firemen.

Your Committee have also had before them Third-Class Fireman Luke Green, charged with intoxication and using threatening language to his officer. Green has been brought before your Committee on a previous occasion, and has been several times punished for minor offences. Your Committee have now no alternative but to recommend his dismissal from the service.

Your Committee have further to report, that Second-Class Fireman George R. Garner, Third-Class Fireman Charles P. Harris, and Fourth-Class Firemen Charles J. Matthews and George R. Chantrell, have tendered their resignations, and your Committee recommend that they be accepted.

In the event of the Board adopting the recommendation with regard to Sub-Engineer Smoker, there will be a vacancy in that rank, to fill which, your Committee recommend the promotion of First-Class Fireman Frederick Smart. They also recommend the promotion of Third-Class Fireman William Miskella to the Second Class, in place of G. R. Garner. Your Committee have also to recommend the appointment of Thomas Cloake in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, to fill one of the vacancies caused by the above-mentioned resignations.

Your Committee have further to report that, a triangular buoy being required for the protection of the Floating Steam Engine lying at Southwark Bridge, they have accepted the Tender of Messrs. Nash and Miller to construct one for the sum of £70.

Your Committee have also to report, with regard to the action brought by Mrs. Darling against the Board for damages in respect of injuries sustained through being knocked down by a Fire Escape, that, as there appeared some probability of damages being given against the Board if the action were allowed to proceed, they deemed it advisable to instruct the

Solicitor to settle the matter on the best terms he could. This he has done by agreeing to pay the sum of £40 inclusive of all costs and expenses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
J. O. HALL,
E. J. THOMPSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That Sub-Engineer George Smoker, be reduced to the bottom of the rank of First-Class Firemen.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That Luke Green, Third-Class Fireman, be dismissed from the service of the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of George R. Garner, Second-Class Fireman, Charles R. Harris, Third-Class Fireman, and Charles J. Matthews and George R. Chantrell, Fourth-Class Firemen, be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the following promotions be made consequent on the reduction of Sub-Engineer George Smoker, and the retirement of Second-Class Fireman George R. Garner, viz. :—

First-Class Fireman Frederick Smart to the rank of Sub-Engineer.
Third „ „ William Miskella „ Second-Class Fireman.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That Thomas Cloake, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

5. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday** the **4th** day of **February**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—SIR JOHN THWAITES, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

JOHN SAMUEL PHILLIPS, ESQ.	JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ.	SILLS JOHN GIBBONS, ESQ., ALD.
JOSEPH MORELAND, ESQ.	JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.	CYRUS LEGG, ESQ.
JOHN ORDE HALL, ESQ.	EDWARD JOHN THOMPSON, ESQ.	THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
ALEXANDER NESBITT SHAW, ESQ.	WILLIAM NEWTON, ESQ.	CHARLES WESTERTON, ESQ.
HENRY BIDGOOD, ESQ.	EDWARD COLLINSON, ESQ.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, ESQ.
JAMES BROOKER, ESQ.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, ESQ.	
WILLIAM HENRY DALTON, ESQ.	CHARLES MILLS ROCHE, ESQ.	EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ.
HENRY LOWMAN TAYLOR, ESQ., DEPUTY.	JOHN AUGUSTUS NICHOLAY, ESQ.	WILLIAM CLARK, ESQ.
	CHARLES STUART BARKER, ESQ.	ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.	SILAS TAYLOR, ESQ.	BORLASE HILL ADAMS, ESQ.
JOHN SAVAGE, ESQ.	EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.	FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens, 1st February, 1870.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the office of the Board, Spring-gardens, on Friday next, the 4th day of February, 1870, at half-past Twelve o'Clock p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

To receive Report from Works and General Purposes Committee

Recommending—

1. That in consideration of the responsible nature of the duties of Mr. De la Hooke, First-Class Assistant in the Clerk's Department, and the efficient manner in which he discharges them, his salary be increased from £260 to £280 per annum.
2. That Mr. Estlin, Assistant in the Clerk's Department, who has attained the maximum salary of the Second Class, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of that Class, viz., £200 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 19th January, 1866, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.
3. That Mr. Morel, Second-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, who will this month attain the maximum of that class, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of £200 a-year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 16th February, 1866, (No. 6), be varied accordingly.
4. That Mr. Doggett, Third-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, be placed in the Second Class, at the minimum salary of £150 a year, being an increase of £10 on his present salary, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th April, 1866, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.
5. That Mr. Driver, Fourth-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, be placed in the Third Class, at the minimum salary of £100 a year, being an increase of £16 on his present salary, and that the resolution of the Board of the 10th August, 1866, (No. 5), be varied accordingly.
6. That the salary of Mr. Woolley, temporarily employed in the Accountant's Department at £4 a week, be increased to £4 10s. a week
7. That Mr. Rumble and Mr. Waldeck, Draughtsmen in the Engineer's Department, who have attained the maximum salary of the Second Class, be placed in the First-Class, at the minimum salary of £200, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), be varied accordingly.
8. That the salary of Mr. E. B. J. Knox, temporarily employed as a Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, at £2 2s. a week, be increased to £2 10s. a week.
9. That Mr. Arthur John Bailey, now temporarily employed in the Superintending Architect's Department, at 30s. a week, be placed in the Fourth Class of Officers, at the salary of £84 per annum.

That the foregoing promotions and increase of salaries do take effect from Christmas last.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. Mr. Richardson, at the request of the Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 31st, January, 1870.

Your Committee have proceeded on your resolution of the 7th instant (No. 23), referring to them the resolution of the 10th November, 1865, (No. 6), directing that the Board do, in the month of January in each year, consider the subject of the salaries and classification of the subordinate officers of the Board, with the view of ascertaining whether any and what alteration should be made in the position and salary of any of the officers. Your Committee have had before them reports prepared, after conference with the Chairman, by the Heads of Departments on this subject, and in the recommendations which they have to submit, they have on this, as on all previous occasions, dealt only with such cases as appeared, from exceptional circumstances, to merit consideration.

The first of these cases is that of Mr. De la Hooke, one of the First-Class Assistants in the Department of the Clerk of the Board. This officer, with regard to whom it will be remembered a recommendation for an increase of salary was made by your Committee last year, but was not adopted, was appointed by the Board in February 1865 in the second class. In February 1867, in consideration of the nature of Mr. De la Hooke's duties, he was placed in the First Class of officers at the minimum salary, namely, £200, and he is now receiving £260 per annum. The Clerk has spoken in the highest terms of the special ability and talent displayed by Mr. De la Hooke in the discharge of the important and responsible duties committed to him, which will no doubt be confirmed by the Members of those Committees to which his time has been more especially devoted, and your Committee are unanimously of opinion that the Board should mark their sense of this officer's valuable services by giving him an increase of £20 in his salary, making it for the present year £280. Your Committee beg to recommend that course for adoption.

The next case is that of Mr. Estlin, also an assistant in the Clerk's Department, who has attained the maximum salary of the Second Class. Your Committee find that this officer was appointed by the Board in November, 1863. In January, 1866, in consideration of an important alteration in the character of his duties, he was placed in the Second Class, and your Committee learn from the Clerk that, since that period, Mr. Estlin has been required to discharge duties of a responsible nature, and similar in all respects to those which are entrusted to officers of the First Class. The Clerk has further stated to your Committee that Mr. Estlin's duties have been performed in a creditable manner, and that he has at all times found him a very able assistant. Your Committee think, therefore, that this officer is fairly entitled to favourable consideration, and they recommend that he be placed in the First Class at the minimum salary, namely, £200, being the same rate of pay which he is receiving for the present year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 19th January, 1866, (No. 6), be varied accordingly.

Your Committee have next to draw attention to the case of Mr. Morel, a Second-Class Assistant in the Accountant's Department. This was one of the cases in which a recommendation was submitted last year but not adopted. Your Committee find that Mr. Morel was appointed in February, 1866, and that he will attain the maximum salary of the Second Class on the 16th of the present month. The Accountant states that the duties assigned to Mr. Morel are of a responsible kind, and that, since the appointment of Mr. Edwards as Cashier, he has been required to discharge duties of a higher and more important character than those previously performed by him. Your Committee learn that Mr. Morel is a diligent and deserving officer, and they recommend—

> That he be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of £200 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 16th February, 1866, (No. 6), be varied accordingly.

Your Committee have next to mention the name of Mr. Doggett, who was appointed in the junior class in the Accountant's Department in March, 1863, and was promoted to the Third Class at the commencement of 1866. This is also one of the cases in which a recommendation for promotion was made last year, but not adopted. Mr. Doggett's present salary is £140, and he would, under ordinary circumstances, attain the maximum salary at Christmas next. Your Committee find, however, from statements made to them by the Accountant, that the work assigned to Mr. Doggett is of an important nature, and such as he could have only entrusted to a careful and painstaking officer. The Accountant has further mentioned that Mr. Doggett has shown considerable ability in the performance of his duties, and your Committee are of opinion, under all the circumstances, that he is entitled to some recognition of his services, and they recommend—

> That he be placed in the Second Class, at the minimum salary of £150 a year, being an increase of £10 on his present salary, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th April, 1866, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the case of Mr. Driver, who now occupies the position of a Fourth-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department. Mr. Driver was appointed in August, 1866, and his present salary is £84. The Accountant has described to your Committee the duties discharged by this officer, which are above what can fairly be expected from a Fourth-Class Clerk, and has further stated that he has had to employ Mr. Driver, during the last year, on work generally, which ought only to have been assigned to an officer of the Third Class. Your Committee consider that Mr. Driver is well worthy of promotion, and they recommend—

> That he be placed in the Third-Class, at the minimum salary of £100 a year, being an increase of £16 on his present salary, and that the resolution of the Board of the 10th August, 1866, (No. 5), be varied accordingly.

The last case in the Accountant's Department which your Committee have to mention is that of Mr. Woolley. He was appointed three years ago as temporary clerk to assist the Accountant in the examination of trade claims, and has been employed upon that work since then, discharging it with great assiduity and ability. Taking this into consideration, and also the responsibility, care, and discretion which are involved in Mr. Woolley's duties, it appears

to your Committee that he merits some additional remuneration, and they recommend that his salary be increased from £4 to £4 10s. per week.

The next cases to which your Committee desire to draw the attention of the Board are those of the officers in the Drawing Department of the Engineer, from whom several applications for increase of salary or alteration in position have been received. Your Committee have carefully considered the representations made to them in these applications, and have conferred with the Engineer as to the duties imposed upon the several officers, and the manner in which they are discharged. From the information laid before them, your Committee are of opinion that there are three cases which merit the favourable consideration of the Board, viz.—those of Mr. Rumble, Mr. Waldeck, and Mr. Knox. Mr. Rumble was first engaged as a draughtsman under the Westminster Sewers Commission, which appointment he was compelled by ill health to resign in 1853. In 1859 he was entrusted by the Board with the superintendence of the works of the Earl Outlet, and the erection of the engines and pumps, at a salary of £163 16s. 0d. In May 1864 the Board, on the recommendation of the Main Drainage Committee, placed Mr. Rumble on the permanent staff, in the second-class of officers, at the same salary he was then receiving. Your Committee would remind the Board that they recommended this officer for promotion in February last, in consideration of his ability and length of service, but although the recommendation was favourably received by the Board, the majority requisite to rescind a previous resolution, was not obtained, and it was not carried into effect. The same reasons which induced your Committee to recommend Mr. Rumble on the former occasion, apply to the present, and carry with them the additional weight of another year's service, and, having regard to all the circumstances, they feel that they are fully justified in again submitting his name to the Board. With regard to Mr. Waldeck, your Committee find that he has been in the service of the Board since its formation, and was a short time previously in that of the Commissioners of Sewers. On the 27th May, 1864, he was placed on the permanent staff in the second class of officers, at the same salary he was then receiving, viz. £156 per annum. He attained the maximum of his class in May 1868. Your Committee find that the duties assigned to Mr. Waldeck are, besides the ordinary work of the Department, the execution of designs for ornamental iron or stonework, the making illustrative perspective sketches of proposed works or improvements, figure drawing, &c. He has also been called upon to execute either wholly or in part, various models of portions of Waterloo Bridge, the Thames Embankment, and other works. Your Committee think that, taking into consideration the varied nature of Mr. Waldeck's duties, and the satisfactory manner in which they are discharged, he merits some recognition of his services, and they think that the case will be met by his advance to the first-class of officers at the minimum salary of that class, which is the same as that he is now receiving. Your Committee beg to submit the following recommendation—

> That Mr. Rumble and Mr. Waldeck, Draughtsmen in the Engineer's Department, who have attained the maximum salary of the Second-Class, be placed in the First-Class, at the minimum salary of £200, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), be varied accordingly.

The other officer referred to, Mr. Knox, has been temporarily employed as a draughtsman in the Engineer's Department since December, 1868, at a salary of £2 2s. per week. The Engineer has reported to your Committee that the duties confided to Mr. Knox are discharged in a satisfactory manner, and your Committee think that the Board, would be justified, after the year's probation which he has undergone, in increasing his salary from £2 2s. to £2 10s., being the same amount as is paid to other officers performing similar duties. They recommend—

> That Mr. Knox's salary be increased accordingly.

The last case to which the Committee wish to call attention is that of Mr. A. J. Bailey, now temporarily employed in the Architect's Department at 30s. per week, to assist in the correspondence, &c., incidental to the duties imposed upon the Board under the Dangerous Structures Act. The Architect has informed your Committee that Mr. Bailey is well educated, and that he is the only officer whom it has been found necessary to employ in carrying out the powers of the Board under the Dangerous Structures Act. Your Committee learn

that Mr. Bailey has discharged his duties with care and assiduity, and they consider that he may very properly be put on the permanent staff of the Board. They beg to recommend that he be placed in the Fourth Class of officers, at the salary of £84 per annum.

Your Committee beg to recommend that the above-mentioned increases and promotions do take effect from Christmas last.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS LEGG,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That in consideration of the responsible nature of the duties of Mr. H. De la Hooke, First-Class Assistant in the Clerk's Department, and the efficient manner in which he discharges them, his salary be increased from £260 to £280 per annum.

The motion having been put to the vote was carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than two thirds of the Members present at the Meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That Mr. James Estlin, Assistant in the Clerk's Department, who has attained the maximum salary of the Second Class, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of that Class, viz., £200 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 19th January, 1866, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote was carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the Meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That Mr. C. H. Morel, Second-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of £200 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 16th February, 1866, (No 6), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote was carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the Meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Edgar Doggett, Third-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, be placed in the Second-Class of officers at the minimum salary of £150 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th April, 1866, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That Mr. J. S. Driver, Fourth-Class Clerk in the Accountant's Department, be placed in the Third Class, at the minimum salary of £100 a year, and that the resolution of the Board of the 10th August, 1866, (No. 5), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than-two thirds of the Members present at the meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the salary of Mr. G. R. Woolley, temporarily employed in the Accountant's Department, be increased from £4 to £4 10s. per week.

The motion having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—16.	
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Moreland, J., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Richardson.	

Against the Motion—9.	
Barker, Charles Stuart, Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers.	

And it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That Mr. R. A. Rumble, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, who has attained the maximum salary of the Second-Class, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of that class, viz., £200 per annum, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative, by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Saunders—That Mr. J. F. Waldeck, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, who has attained the maximum salary of the Second-Class, be placed in the First Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of that class, viz., £200 per annum, and that the resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative, by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the meeting; and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr Savage—That the salary of Mr. E. B. J. Knox, temporarily employed as a Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, at £2 2s. a week, be increased to £2 10s. a week.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That Mr. Arthur John Bailey, now temporarily employed in the Superintending Architect's Department, at 30s. a week, be placed in the Fourth Class of Officers, at the salary of £84 per annum.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the promotions and increase of salaries agreed to by the Board this day do take effect from Christmas last.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **4th** day of **February**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

William Henry Dalton, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Thomas John Whitf, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.	
Robert Freeman, Esq.		

1. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Building Act Committee.

Spring Gardens, 1st February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 21st ultimo (No. 32), they have considered the Memorial from Messrs. Browne and Eagle, requesting the Board to instruct the District Surveyor of Whitechapel, Mr. Harry Oliver, not to take any further proceedings in regard to the Magistrate's decision with respect to the area of their wool warehouses in Leman, Duncan, and Nelson Streets, Whitechapel. The District Surveyor, Mr. Harry Oliver, took proceedings against the builders, Messrs. Holland and Hannen, and the Magistrate, Mr. Lushington, who heard the case, decided that the Building Act had been infringed. The owners of the buildings, Messrs. Browne and Eagle, now pray that no further proceedings may be taken, urging that they believed that the buildings were in accordance with the Act; that many other buildings had been erected in like manner, which have been allowed to remain, and that, as they have expended a very large amount in the erection of their buildings, an alteration would entail a very serious loss upon them. The District Surveyor and the parties interested have attended your Committee and have given explanations on the subject, and, as it appears that it was proved in evidence before the Magistrate that the Memorialists were not aware that any infringement of the Act had taken place, your Committee were of opinion that it was desirable that some arrangement should be made, by which justice might be satisfied and, at the same time, the necessity of a large outlay on the part of the Memorialists avoided. They, therefore, directed the Superintending Architect to confer with the parties, and he reported to your Committee that it was impossible to make any alteration in the buildings, without rendering them unsuitable for the purpose for which they were erected, and that, although, in his opinion, the letter of the Act had not been complied with, as the divisions between the buildings should have been vertical party-walls instead of a horizontal floor, yet, looking to the fact that there is no communication between the basement and the upper portions of the buildings; that there is a separate entrance to the basement, and that the flooring is fireproof, he considered that the spirit of the Act had not been violated. With this view, your Committee agree, and, although they are of opinion that Mr. Oliver was

fully justified in the course he took in putting the law into force and thereby vindicating the authority of the Board, they consider that, as the intention of the Act was to prevent the construction of large buildings without fireproof divisions, and as, in the building in question, such a division has been constructed, although horizontally instead of vertically, the spirit of the Act has been complied with; and, under these circumstances, your Committee do not think it expedient that any further steps should be taken in the matter, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report, with reference to the application of Mr. Richard Dickins, on behalf of Mr. Rolls, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses at the corners of new streets abutting on Monnow-road, referred for their consideration by the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 19), that Mr. Dickins has attended your Committee and withdrawn his application.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of your resolution of the 17th December last (No. 45), considered the application of Mr. H. R. Wagner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window to the house, No. 17, Palace-street, Buckingham-gate. The applicant proposes to construct a bay-window to project 15 inches beyond the front of the house, but 2 feet 3 inches in the rear of the line of the forecourts. The Committee of the Westminster District Board object, on account of the narrow width of the areas, and the absence of projections from the adjoining houses; but your Committee consider that, as the window will only project 1 foot 3 inches, and will be considerably in the rear of the railings to the area, it will be unobjectionable, and they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. W. G. Bartlett, for the approval by the Board of a modification of the condition imposed by the Order of the Board of the 10th December last (No. 37), with respect to a paved street on land next Wycombe-terrace, Hornsey-road, referred by the Board on the 23rd December last (No. 36). The street in question was sanctioned on condition that it was paved within five months, and the applicant now desires, for various reasons, that the time should be extended to about two years. As five months was fixed upon in order that a summons might be obtained within the limit of time fixed by law, in the event of non-compliance with the Order of the Board, our Committee do not consider that the time should be extended, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the Report by the Superintending Architect on a letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, Surveyor of the District of Hammersmith, relative to an infringement by Mr. Everett, of the conditions imposed by the Order of the Board of the 1st July, 1864, (No. 26), with respect to giving up the vacant land in front of shops and houses in New-road, Shepherd's-bush, referred by the Board on the 21st ultimo, [(No. 43.) Sanction was given to building on the site in question, on condition that a piece of ground, 10 feet in depth, between the proposed buildings and the footway, was given up for the use of the public. Three houses with shops have been erected, and the ground in front added to the footway, but a portion of the freehold having been sold to Mr. Everett, he has erected a private house in line with the other houses, but has enclosed the whole of the ground in front, instead of having given it up in compliance with the conditions imposed by the Order of the Board. Under hese circumstances your Committee beg to recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps for enforcing the Order of the Board.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 21st ultimo (No. 69), they have considered the application of Mr. John Collier, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of three paved courts, 20 feet in width, on the site of Peerless Pool, Baldwin-street, City-road, and of the names "Whitlock-street," "Coppin-street," and "Colthurst-street" for the same. It is proposed to form three courts, 20 feet wide, with two entrances from Baldwin-street and one from Bath-street, and to this the Vestry of Saint Luke object, on the ground that such narrow courts would be most unhealthy

and injurious to the neighbourhood. In this opinion your Committee concur, and they accordingly recommend—

That the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
J. A. NICHOLAY.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved—That no further steps be taken with reference to the erection by Messrs. Brown and Eagle, of Wool Warehouses in Leman, Duncan, and Nelson-streets, Whitechapel.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. H. R. Wagner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window to the house, No. 17, Palace-street, Buckingham-gate, be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. W. G. Bartlett, for the approval by the Board of a modification of the condition imposed by the Order of the Board of the 10th December last (No. 37), with respect to a paved street on land next Wycombe-terrace, Hornsey-road, be not granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the Solicitor do take the necessary steps for enforcing the Order of the Board of the 1st July, 1864, (No. 26), with respect to the giving up of the vacant land in front of shops and houses, erected in New-road, Shepherd's-bush.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Moreland—That the application of Mr. John Collier, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three paved courts, 20 feet in width, on the site of Peerless-pool, Baldwin-street, City-road, and of the names "Whitlock-street," "Coppin-street," and "Colthurst-street," for the same be not granted.

2. **Resolved**—That the further consideration of the letters from the Woolwich Local Board of Health, and the Vestries of Plumstead and Charlton, with reference to the reduction of the County Rate Assessment, be adjourned until Friday next.

3. The Solicitor presented a notice from Messrs. Thomas and Hollams, on behalf of the Trustees of the British and Foreign Bible Society, dated 28th January, 1870, as to loss of access to their premises in the line of Queen Victoria Street, and reported that he had sent a copy thereof to the Superintending Architect.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

4. The Solicitor laid before the Board a printed copy of a Report made to the St. Pancras Vestry by their Surveyor, Mr. Scott, on the Tramway Bills for the ensuing Session.

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

5. Read a Report as follows—

REG. *v.* BULLOCK (SWEEPING MUD INTO SEWER).

The Defendant is in the employ of Mr. Perkins, Cleansing Contractor (of Ward No. 8) to the St. Pancras Vestry, and was summoned by this Board for sweeping mud into a sewer through an iron grating in Guildford-street on the 21st December last.

Three witnesses were called (also in the employ of the Vestry as scavengers) and the magistrate on the 26th January instant, convicted him and fined him 20s., and 2s. costs, which sum has been paid to the cashier.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

6. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co., dated 25th January, 1870, stating that their clients did not intend to proceed with the East London Tramways Bill in the ensuing Session.

7. The Solicitor reported that the Court of Bankruptcy had decided that the Deed of Arrangement with creditors entered into by Mr. Nicholson, the Contractor for works under the Board, was valid.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd February, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
LIMEHOUSE.				
Little Hermitage-street, Wapping	180	2′ 0″ barl.	½ brick.	Recommended for approval as a temporary work.
KENSINGTON.				
Silchester-road, Notting-hill ..	300	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	½ brick.	Recommended for approval, subject to the ground being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
WANDSWORTH.				
Bemish-road, Lower Richmond-road, Putney	About 260	12 inch.	Pipe.	Recommended as altered on section to 1 in 70.
ISLINGTON.				
Petherton-road, Highbury New Park	790 1,350	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″ 12 inch.	½ brick. Pipe.	Recommended for approval, subject to the ground for the half brick sewers being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd February, 1870, on an application from the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of Application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1870. January 27.	Brick-lane, from Osborn-place to Church-street ..	Repaving	14 days	14 days	Commercial-street.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Whitechapel District Board, for the purpose of executing paving works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

10 Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th February, 1870.

CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF WATER BOOTS.

I have to report that the Contract with Mr. Williamson for the supply of Water Boots will expire on the 25th March next; and as the several Contracts for General Works, Oil, Leather, Iron, &c., terminate in 1871, I recommend that parties be written to for Tenders for the supply of Boots for a period of one year only, commencing 25th March next.

Attached is a draft form of Tender, Schedule, &c., also a list of the makers written to on the last occasion, with the additional name of Mr. J. Mead, of Trafalgar-road, Greenwich.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

11. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 2nd February, 1870.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT, LOW LEVEL, SEWER, NORTH, &c., WORKS.

NORTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Thames Embankment (Contract No. 3), between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge. The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 520 feet, and the remaining length of about 400 feet is constructed to an average height of 7½ feet above Trinity High-water mark. The length of the subway completed is 850 feet, and of the sewer 794 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage work on the fore-shore of the river are all complete. Considerable progress has been made with the intended Subway from the river to the City Gas Company's Works. The four old houses in Chatham place have been pulled down, and the materials are nearly all cleared away for the formation of the approach to the Embankment from Bridge-street. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. A. Boag and C. Jannings at a total weekly cost of £5 19s.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer between the terminal point of this Contract and the commencement of the part now being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company, in connection with their works from Saint Andrew's Hill, a length of 458 feet has been constructed. Between these two points 570 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″×2′8″) and 39 coal vaults have also been constructed. The excavations for the penstock-chamber to be formed near the Bridge, are sunk to a depth of 16 feet. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. H. Bennett and K. Earnshaw, at a total weekly cost of £7 7s.

The approximate cost of the whole of the foregoing works executed by Mr. Webster is £82,700; of which £3,494 are due to the progress made in the past month.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway are actively progressing at various points along the line of the Embankment, Queen Victoria-street, &c. From the Westminster Station, eastward, a total length of about 6,600 feet of side-walls is complete; 2,400 feet are constructed on one side only, and a further length of about 600 feet is in progress. Upon the completed walls about 2,200 feet of the upper arches are turned, and the girders are fixed, and the arching is in progress for a further length of 3,000 feet. The walls of the booking offices, &c., of the Charing Cross Station are nearly constructed to their full height, and the roofing of the building is rapidily progressing. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, is employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple; from the latter point, eastward, they are under the charge of the Clerks of Works superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract, and the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., which is being constructed in connection with the Railway; a fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will therefore be borne by the Company.

Low Level Sewer, &c., between Saint Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street. But little has been done by the Company with these works during the past month, the length of sewer constructed remaining as last reported, namely, 1,300 feet. Preparations are now, however, being made to commence the length of Subway and the vaults, for which the ground has, to some extent, already been got out. The total value of the works completed under the Company's agreement with the Board is £10,750; of which £350 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the Sewerage Works at the Hermitage Lock, Wapping,) and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £4 18s.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill. The length of Sewer constructed in the past month is 277 feet, which, added to the lengths previously reported, make a total of 3,904 feet of sewer, varying from 8′ 9″ to 8′ 6″ in diameter, already completed by Mr. Webster under this contract, and leave about 500 feet yet to be constructed. The approximate cost of the completed work is £47,048; of which the sum of £3,524 is due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. I. Douglas, W. Jeffery, C. Taylor, C. Leggett, H. Spencer, and T. Spurgeon, at a total weekly cost of £19 12s.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico.—The completed lengths of this section of the Low Level line are 4,905 feet of 7′ 9″; 1,290 feet of 6′ 9″ and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ brick sewer; the estimated cost of which, with the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £42,000, of which £7,000 represent the progress made by the Contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams, in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (for three-fourths of his time), J. Wright, J. White, R. Tuck, and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £14 7s.

Whitechapel Improvement.—The works under this Contract have made fair progress in the past month, the length of Subway (12′ 0″ wide, by 7′ 6″ high) constructed being 260 feet, and of the Sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″) 350 feet, making the total length of the Subway now complete 960 feet (leaving

180 feet yet to be constructed), and of the Sewer 1,206 feet, the length embraced in the Contract. Twenty-one coal vaults are wholly complete, and 10 are in progress. Eight side passages and one-side entrance are also complete. The concrete bed for the stone pitching of the roadway is fast progressing, a length of 80 feet at the Commercial-road end of the new street, being ready for the paving for the whole width, and for which a good supply of Aberdeen granite and York stone is arriving upon the works. The approximate value of the whole of the work completed by Messrs. Marshall and Maxwell under this contract is £4,950, of which £1,034 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

South Side of the River.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The lengths of sewer completed by Mr. Nicholson under this contract are 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 1,010 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of cast-iron pipe, 4′ 0″ in diameter, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. A further length of about 300 feet of brick sewer is in progress, and about 1,000 feet of stoneware pipes have been laid for drain-connections, &c. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £11,100; of which about £600 represent the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this, and of the two following contracts, is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 4s.

Kennington Park Road Sewer.—The contractor, Mr. Crockett, has completed a length of 2,040 feet of this sewer, 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, a further length of about 160 feet is in progress, and about 2,400 feet of stoneware pipes for the connection of drains, &c., have been laid. The total cost of the whole of these, and of the minor works incidental thereto, is £3,837; of which £777 are due to the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistant is Mr. B. Butcher and their weekly wages amount to £4 4s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver, the Contractors, have completed 990 feet of sewer, 5′ 0″×3′ 4″; 300 feet, 4′ 0″×2′ 8″, and about 1,100 feet of stoneware-pipe connections, &c., and have a further length of 350 feet of the 4′ 0″×2′ 8″ sewer in progress. The total estimated cost of these several works is £3,148; of which the sum of £1,314 is due to the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. W. Morton, and their weekly wages amount to £4 11s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

12. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th February, 1870.

Crossness Engines.

I beg to report that the bed-plate under the crank plummer block of the "Victoria" Engine is cracked, and as it would not be safe to work the Engine until another plate has been substituted, I have, as a work of emergency, ordered one from Messrs. Watt and Co. I also think it advisable to provide duplicates of the same plates for the other engines.

The cost of these, and of the necessary labour, will probably be about £300, and I now ask the Board's sanction thereto.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

13. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th February, 1870.

Petroleum Acts, 1862 and 1868.

Memorandum relative to Licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

The premises of the six applicants for Licenses in the accompanying Schedule having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that Licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of four calendar months and twenty-four days from the 4th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
Hackney	Tipping, Thos. J. W.	12,883	High Street, Stoke Newington	1	Shop btls.
Lewisham	Roff, Edward	14,728	1, Montague Place, Brockley Road, Forest Hill	20	Shed P. d.
St. Saviour, Southwark	Spice, Hy. Thos.	14,720	229, Blackfriars Road	5	Yard ,,
,,	Wright, W. V., and Co.	14,727	Southwark Street	10	Whse. ,,
Shoreditch	Skinner, Joseph	14,721	151, Goldsmith's Row, Hackney Road	8	Shed ,,
Strand	Hammond, Thos.	14,736	26, Little Newport Street, Leicester Square	1	,, P. c

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

14. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1870, stating that, by the decease of Mr. Charles Robert Badger, the office of Surveyor of the District of Lewisham had become vacant, and recommending the appointment of an Interim Surveyor, until a permanent appointment should be made.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the question of the appointment of a District Surveyor, for the District of Lewisham, be referred to the Building Act Committee, and that they be requested to consider and report as to the desirability of dividing the District, or making other alterations therein.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, Surveyor of the District of Greenwich be, and he is hereby appointed to perform the duties of District Surveyor for the District of Lewisham, until this Board shall make the necessary permanent arrangement for filling up the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Charles Robert Badger.

15. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Rotherhithe, for permission to borrow the sum of £800 for repaying a loan obtained for Sewerage Works; and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary, Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction in writing to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the Sewers Rates, leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of eight hundred pounds for the purpose of repaying a loan of that amount made in the year 1865, to defray certain expenses incurred by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses before the year 1865 incurred by the said Vestry in the execution of certain works of sewerage within the said Parish. **And whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the sum of eight hundred pounds should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid: therefore it is **ordered** that the sanction in writing of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary, Rotherhithe on the security of the Sewers Rates, leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of eight hundred pounds for the purpose aforesaid, such loan to bear interest at the rate of Five pounds per centum per annum, and the principal money to be repaid with interest, by ten equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 20th January, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Rotherhithe; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

16. The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the Order of the Board of the 21st January last (No. 73), directing that the name "Norwood-road" be substituted for Norwood-lane.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that the same be transmitted to the Vestry of Lambeth, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. Mr. Dresser Rogers, by leave of the Board, modified the **motion** of which he had given notice, and **moved**—That a Return be made of the total amount of all sums paid, or, in unsettled bills, of all charges made, for the repair of the several Fire Engine Stations during each quarter, from the time of the transfer of the Fire Brigade to the Board, up to Christmas, 1869, stating the name of the Contractor for each work, and the total cost of the adaptation of any premises to the purpose of a Fire Engine Station.

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Brooker, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

18. Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the fair copying of the Board having, during the year 1869, cost the large sum of £3,809 6s. 9d., exclusive of the cost of stamps, &c., it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report whether a more economical arrangement cannot be made for the performance of such work beneficial to the Board.

19. Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. S. J. Barth, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 3rd February, 1870, with a copy of observations made by their foreman of roads with reference to effluvia arising from the Main Sewers in the District since the 6th January last, which was read.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook—That the letter be referred to the Engineer, for report.

20. Read the following communications—

17, Carlisle-street, Soho-square, W., February 4th, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—Herewith you will receive some Resolutions passed by our Vestry at their Meeting last night, which we shall be obliged by your handing to the Chairman of the Metropolitan Board either at, or before, the Meeting to-day.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GEORGE ALLEN, Vestry Clerk, St. Anne's, Soho.

JOHN POLLARD, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W.

Saint Anne, Westminster.—At a meeting of the Vestry of this Parish, held in the Vestry Room on Thursday, the 3rd day of February, 1870,

It was unanimously resolved as follows—

That this Vestry is of opinion that it would be most undesirable to empower the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase up the Water Companies.

First—Because the Vestry believes a constant supply of water in all cases to be unnecessary.

Secondly—Because a constant supply can, where required, now be obtained pursuant to the 15th Section of the Metropolitan Water Act, 1852; and

Thirdly—Because the cost of purchasing up the Companies (apart from the expenses which an universal adaptation of the constant supply system would entail) would be enormous; necessarily more than the market value of the property acquired.

Extracted from the Minutes. (Signed) GEORGE ALLEN, Vestry Clerk.

The Board of Works for the Strand District,

5, Tavistock Street, Covent Garden, W.C., 3rd February, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—On the other side I beg to hand you Copy of Resolution passed by this Board on the 26th ultimo, and which I will thank you to lay before the Metropolitan Board of Works at its next Meeting.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THO M. JENKINS, Clerk to the Board.

JOHN POLLARD, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Extracted from the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on the 26th January, 1870.

Considered the proposed purchase by the Metropolitan Board of Works of the Water Companies, and relative to the system of constant supply.

RESOLVED—That it would be most undesirable to empower the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase up the Water Companies.

That a constant supply of water, in all cases, is unnecessary, and that a constant supply can, when required, be obtained, pursuant to the 15th Section of the Metropolitan Water Act, 1852.

That the cost of purchasing up the Companies, (apart from the expenses which a universal adaptation of the constant supply system would entail) would be enormous, necessarily more than the market value of the property acquired; and

That the Water Companies should voluntarily or, in default, be compelled by the Legislature, to afford, in cases where desirable, a more frequent supply, so that there should in all cases and at times be sufficient for all reasonable requirements.

(Signed) T. M. JENKINS, Clerk.

Paddington, Vestry Hall, Harrow Road, 2nd February, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by the Vestry of this Parish, to forward you the enclosed Copy of a Resolution passed by them at their Meeting yesterday.

I am, &c.

(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

At a meeting of the Vestry held at the Vestry Hall, Harrow-road, in the Parish of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, on Tuesday, the 1st day of February, 1870—John Wilson, Esq., Churchwarden, in the Chair—

It was RESOLVED that this Vestry is of opinion that it would be most undesirable to empower the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase the Water Companies, or take the supply of water into their hands.

A true copy. (Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE, Vestry Clerk.

The Board of Works for the St. Olave District, Southwark.

Board Room, 86, Queen Elizabeth Street, St. John's, Southwark, 1st day of February, 1870.

WATER SUPPLY TO LONDON.

DEAR SIR,—Understanding that the above question is to come under discussion on Friday next at the Metropolitan Board of Works, I am desired to forward for your information the copy of a resolution passed at a Meeting of the Board held to-day.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) ROB. SLEE, Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

St. Olave District Board of Works, Southwark. At a meeting of this Board, on the 1st February, 1870, Thomas Turner, Esq., in the Chair,

It was Resolved—That this Board having had before them a Resolution of the Vestry of Marylebone to the effect that, in the opinion of that Vestry, "it would be most undesirable to empower "the Metropolitan Board of Works to purchase up the Water Companies;" thinks it proper to state that, in the judgment of this Board, it is of the greatest importance to the welfare of the Metropolis, that the interests of the existing Water Companies should be purchased by the Metropolitan Board, and that the management of the water supply of the Metropolis should be vested in their hands.

The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and the following motion by Mr. Freeman thereon, viz.—

That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report.

the consideration of which was adjourned on Friday last (No. 28.)

A further Amendment was then moved by Mr. Richardson, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—"That the Chairman be requested to inform Her Majesty's Government,

"that the Board, having considered the Report of the Royal Commission on the Water Sup-
"ply of the Metropolis, are of opinion that there should be a constant supply of pure and
"wholesome water; that the existing supply is not satisfactory; that the Board are not pre-
"pared to express any opinion as to the desirability of the water supply being transferred
"from the Companies to the Municipal Authority; but that, if Parliament should deter-
"mine that it would be expedient that the Water Supply of the Metropolis should be in
"the hands of the Municipal Authority, the Board would be prepared to undertake the
"duty."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—21.	
Barker, Charles Stuart, Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Freeman.	

Against the Motion—10.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq,	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Roche.	

And it was **resolved**—That the Chairman be requested to seek an interview with the Home Secretary, for the purpose of inquiring whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a measure founded upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Water Supply; and also to place before him the Board's general approval of the Report.

21. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Mr. Ward Burslem, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house in Dorking-road, Deptford, as shown upon the plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the proposed house be kept back to the line of the other houses in the road, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

22. HACKNEY.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Jacob, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch to the entrance of the basement of the house No. 33, Graham-road, Dalston, as shown upon the plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

23. KENSINGTON AND PADDINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Henson Brothers, on behalf of Mr. Partington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of stables and a coach-house adjoining the house No. 16, Pembridge-square, as shown upon the further amended plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

24. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Adams, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window at the house No. 1, Notting-hill-terrace, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

25. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Davis and Emanuel, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an entrance porch, with projecting pilasters, to the new West London Synagogue, Upper Berkeley-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

26. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Hesketh, on behalf of Lord Portman, for the consent of the Board to the front of Brunswick Chapel, Upper Berkeley-street, being brought forward as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

27. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Samuel Wilson, for the approval by the Board of the construction of Verge Boards to four dormer windows to a villa in Nightingale-lane, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

28. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. P. Macdonald, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an orchard house against the party wall bounding his premises, known as Sydenham Park Nursery, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that no flues from fire-places be used in the house, but only hot water pipes for heating purposes.

29. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Lockington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five houses in Russia-lane, Old Ford-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed buildings be kept back twenty feet from the present centre of the road.

30. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. A. Hill, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Squires, for the consent of the Board to a plan for the formation of two new streets, 20 feet in width, on land adjoining Dartmouth-road, Hammersmith, and of the names "Hetton-street," and "Colvin-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the streets be flagged throughout, and that the pieces of ground next Dartmouth-road, coloured red on the plan, be added to the public way.

31. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Lockington, on behalf of Mr. Harverson, for the consent of the

Board to the erection of stables and other buildings in a narrow way leading out of Mare-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage line of the proposed buildings be kept back 20 feet from the present centre of the existing road.

32. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th February, 1870, on the application of the Lewisham District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Woodbine-grove, Laurel-grove, Hawthorne-grove, and Jasmine-grove, Penge, and Limes-grove, Lewisham.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

33. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th February, 1870, on the application of the Wandsworth District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Grant-road, Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

34. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment, by the Board, of Fees to Mr. John Young and Mr. Edward Power, Surveyors of the Eastern and Southern Divisions of the City of London, in respect of services performed by them in connection with dangerous structures within the City of London.

Resolved, and **ordered**—That fees amounting to the several sums specified in the accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 3 inclusive, be paid to Mr. John Young and Mr. Edward Power, the District Surveyors mentioned in such accounts, in respect of services performed by them in surveying dangerous structures within the City of London.

35. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 28th January, 1870, calling attention to the position and state of the bridge which crosses the Grand Junction Canal in Plough-lane, Kensal New Town, and of the approach roads to it, and urging the Board to take the subject in hand as a Metropolitan Improvement.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

36. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. L. Burnett, Clerk to the Plumstead District Board, dated 28th January, 1870, complaining of delay in the transmission by this Board of a letter from Mr. Hook, relative to the widening of Church-lane, Charlton, and of the same having been sent to the Lewisham District Board, instead of to them.

Resolved—That the Clerk do communicate the facts to the Plumstead District Board.

37. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. T. W. Ratcliff, Clerk to the Limehouse District Board, dated 29th January, 1870, requesting this Board to issue Orders for the re-numbering of the houses in John-street, Edward-street, George-street, Samuel-street, James-street, Richard-street, Anchor-street, William-street, Burn-street, Catherine-place, Vincent-street, and Manning-street, in the Limehouse District.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

38. Read a letter as follows—

Guildhall, E.C., 31st January, 1870.

Dear Sir,—By direction of the Library Committee, and in accordance with the resolution of the Court of Common Council of the 9th December last, a copy of which was at the time forwarded to Sir John Thwaites, I have the honour to transmit for the acceptance of the Metropolitan Board of Works copies of the several Medals which have been struck upon various occasions by order of the Corporation, and also of some of the works which have been from time to time published under their directions. The remainder will be forwarded as soon as possible.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) F. WOODTHORPE.

John Tollard, Esq.

The Clerk presented a letter from Dr. W. S. Saunders, dated 29th January, 1870, on the same subject, and intimating the intention of the Library Committee to send shortly to each Member of the Board and its chief officers a chromo-lithograph of the Roman tesselated pavement discovered in carrying out the works of the Board in the line of the new street to the Mansion House.

Resolved—That the thanks of the Board be communicated to the Corporation for their courtesy in sending the medals and works referred to.

39. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 28th January, 1870, with printed copies of a Report on Tramway Schemes presented to the Vestry by their Chief Surveyor.

Resolved—That the receipt of the said Report be acknowledged, and that the thanks of the Board be communicated to the Vestry for the same.

40. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. W. James, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board, dated 31st January, 1870, requesting this Board to pass the necessary Order for re-numbering the houses in South-street, Greenwich, and a letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 27th January, 1870, requesting the Board to pass an Order for the re-naming and re-numbering of Church-street, Kentish Town.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

41. Read a letter as follows—

Gas Referees' Office, 23, New-street, Spring-gardens,
London, S.W., 3rd February, 1870.

Sir,—As the testing-station at Arundell-street, under the control of the Metropolitan Board of Works, has now been in use for some time, the Gas Referees, in accordance with Section 40 of the Act of 1868, which requires that they shall inspect and certify the testing-stations from time to time, desire to visit the above-mentioned station, with a view to ascertain if the station and apparatus are in a proper condition, and especially to examine the meters, the correctness of which is indispensable as regards the testings alike for purity and illuminating power.

The Referees, therefore, beg to suggest that the Metropolitan Board of Works should furnish them with a duplicate key of the testing-station, in order that they may be able to inspect it whenever they think proper.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) T. FOSTER, Secretary.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

42. The following **notice** of **motion** was given for the meeting of the Board on Friday next, viz. :—

By Mr. Dresser Rogers (No. 514), as to the Engineer reporting on the subject of the accident at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 11th instant,
at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 6.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday** the **11th** day of **February,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Edward Collinson, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.	
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.		George Hudson, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 4th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. The Chairman stated that additional light and ventilation in the Cashier's and Bookkeepers' room were much required, and that the Superintending Architect considered that the necessary works could be executed for a sum not exceeding £15.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the necessary works be executed at a cost not exceeding £15.

3. The Solicitor reported that, pursuant to the instructions of the Works and General Purposes Committee, Counsel was taking the necessary steps with a view to an application to the Court of Chancery for an injunction to restrain the Metropolitan District Railway Company from proceeding with the erection of their Charing Cross Station on the Thames Embankment, and he (the Solicitor) requested the authority of the Board to sign any notices which might be necessary on their behalf in the matter, and to take any further steps for protecting the interests of the Board which Counsel might advise.

Resolved—That the Solicitor be authorised to sign any notices, and take all such steps in the matter as may be necessary on behalf of the Board.

4. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 8th February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the pass books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	BALANCES, 5th February, 1870.		CHEQUES DRAWN, BUT NOT ISSUED.	NET BALANCES.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
GENERAL	..	533,427 0 7	303,215 2 0	..	230,211 18 7
FIRE BRIGADE	1,625 18 9	..	554 19 10	2,180 18 7	..
COVENT GARDEN APPROACH ..	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION	..	3,028 1 5	..	..	3,028 1 5
VICTORIA PARK APPROACH	4,048 13 10	..	..	4,048 13 10	..
FINSBURY PARK	13,602 14 5	..	..	13,602 14 5	..
SOUTHWARK PARK	8,329 10 5	..	..	8,329 10 5	..
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT ..	..	7,775 8 1	562 5 4	..	7,213 2 9
HOLBORN IMPROVEMENT	..	345 11 6	..	..	345 11 6
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT	..	7,271 6 2	176 0 0	..	7,095 6 2
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT ..	..	19,020 5 5	4,179 10 0	..	14,840 15 5
PARK LANE IMPROVEMENT	1,200 0 6	..	..	1,200 0 6	..
CHELSEA EMBANKMENT	710 3 9	..	..	710 3 9	..
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION	..	1,439 17 1	..	..	1,439 17 1
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND ..	..	6,228 5 2	..	..	6,228 5 2
£	29,517 1 8	580,035 15 5	308,687 17 2	30,072 1 6	271,902 18 1
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	29,517 1 8	..	..	30,072 1 6
		550,518 13 9			241,830 16 7
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT..	..	1,864 6 6	890 17 6	..	973 9 0
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH ..	..	77,485 8 6	6,453 10 0	..	71,031 18 6
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT	..	169,463 4 0	41 1 0	..	169,422 3 0
MANSION HOUSE STREET	..	39,396 18 3	292 3 3	..	39,104 15 0
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE ..	..	2,697 4 0	150 0 0	..	2,547 4 0
		289,042 14 9	6,936 14 3		282,106 0 6
TOTALS	.. £	841,425 15 0	316,515 8 11	.. £	524,910 6 1

INVESTMENTS.

MORTGAGE DEBT SINKING FUND .. .. .. £136,880 19s. 2d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.

DITTO—FIRE BRIGADE .. .. 649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.

FIRE BRIGADE SUPERANNUATION FUND .. .. 2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from the 24th January to the 5th February, 1870—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rates	1,280	0	0			
Improvement Rates	11	11	2			
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	147	0	0			
Fees *re* Dangerous Structures	28	11	3			
Building Act Fees	3	15	0			
Instalment of Loan of £2,500,000	366,375	10	5			
Costs recovered	2	18	7			
				367,849	6	5

FIRE BRIGADE.

Watching Premises	48	6	0			
Lincoln's Inn, on account of Precept	3	0	0			
Chimney-fire Fines	105	10	0			
Contribution from H. M. Treasury	2,500	0	0			
Subscription for "Fire Returns"	5	0	0			
				2,661	16	0

STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.

Rents				25	4	0

MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.

Rates				35	0	0

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Rents				367	5	4
				£370,938	11	9

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors and other persons of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £35,537 15s. 8d., be paid.

Your Committee have now to report that they have had under their consideration the apportionment of the Establishment Charges of the Board for the latter half of the past year, in order that they might be adjusted in accordance with the state of the works in progress, and the amount of labour given by the several departments to each of them during that period. The amount to be apportioned is £20,596 9s. 11d., and your Committee, having carefully settled the basis upon which the apportionment should be made, instructed the Accountant to prepare a statement of the per-centages agreed upon by the Committee, which are very nearly the same as those approved by the Board for the previous half year, and of the amounts to be debited to the several special Accounts. Your Committee having had the statement so prepared before them, and approving the same, directed it to be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board, and they now submit the same for the approval of the Board, and they recommend—

That it be approved; that the necessary cheques be drawn on the Accounts at the Bank England, and that the other Accounts be adjusted in the books of the Board accordingly.

In considering the subject of the estimates for the present year, your Committee have had before them the question of the desirability of making the precepts for the present year payable by instalments. It will be remembered by the Board, that, in former years, three precepts were issued, one for Main Drainage, payable on the 25th of March, another for the expenses of the Fire Brigade, payable on the same day, and a third for the ordinary expenses of the Board, payable on the 24th of June. In accordance with the provisions of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act of last year, the Board will now issue but one precept for the expenses of the Board, the Main Drainage, and the Fire Brigade; but, having taken the advice of Counsel, your Committee find that it will be necessary to issue a distinct precept in respect of the debts and liabilities of the late Commissioners of Sewers. Your Committee have considered, as far as possible, the convenience of the Vestries and District Boards in

connection with the requirements of the Board, and they are of opinion that the several amounts required by the Precepts now to be issued may be made payable by two equal instalments; one on the 26th of March, and the other on the 24th of June next, and they recommend accordingly.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 28th January last, your Committee have considered the application of the Saint Saviour's District Board for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £2,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of paving a portion of Blackfriars-road. They have had before them a report by the Engineer, from which they find that the District Board propose to extend the paving of Blackfriars Road from the point where the existing paving terminates, as far as Church Street, a length of about 320 feet, which they consider necessary in consequence of the heavy and increased traffic resulting from the opening of the new bridge. The Engineer is of opinion that the estimate for the proposed work is fair and reasonable, and as your Committee think that the proposed work should be carried out, they recommend—

That the sanction of the Board be given to the St. Saviour's District Board borrowing the sum of £2,000 for defraying the cost of paving a portion of Blackfriars-road, at interest not exceeding five per cent., such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding ten years.

With reference to the Order of the Board of the 10th December last (No. 4), in relation to expenses incurred in connection with the works of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, as your Committee find that the whole subject is now under the consideration of the Works and General Purposes Committee, they are of opinion that the reference to them may be discharged, and they recommend accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WIGMORE, W., Contractor—		
(3583) Final payment for Contract and Extras, Brook Green Sewer, (No. 116)	305 7 5	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(3584) Further on account of Sewer, Plough Road, &c., Rotherhithe—Contract No. 133	682 0 0	
(3585) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works—Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869	258 2 8	
CROCKETT, W., Contractor—		
(3586) Further on account of Sewer, Kennington Park Road—Contract No. 149	554 0 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(3587) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, to Christmas, 1869	1,800 0 0	
FAIRLIE ENGINE AND STEAM CARRIAGE COMPANY—		
(3588) Three Patent Traversing Screw Jacks, with Ratchet Levers, &c., for Crossness Pumping Station, February, 1870	28 10 0	
CORY, W., AND SON, Contractors—		
(3589) Bills for Coals, October to December, 1869—		
Pumping Stations—		
Cremorne £284 10 0		
Crossness 875 12 11		
Deptford 293 3 10		
Abbey Mills 1,068 0 9		
2,521 7 6		
Office, Spring Gardens 45 6 3		
Gas-meter Testing-houses 9 2 10		
2,575 16 7		
KENT WATER WORKS COMPANY—		
(3590) Water supplied at Deptford Pumping Station, June to December, 1869	21 5 0	
PHŒNIX GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—		
(3591) Gas supplied at Deptford Pumping Station, Quarter ending Christmas 1869	36 16 5	
Carried forward	£6,261 18 1	..

		£. s. d.	£. s. d.
	Brought forward	6,261 18 1	..
West Ham Gas Works—			
(3592)	Gas supplied at Abbey Mills Pumping Station, to 31st December, 1869	165 2 6	
East London Water Works Company—			
(3593)	Water supplied at Abbey Mills Pumping Station, to 17th December, 1869	5 17 0	
Dent, E., and Co.—			
(3594)	Repairing and winding Clock at Crossness Pumping Station, for the Year 1869	7 7 0	
Smith, J., and Co., Contractors—			
(3595)	Stationery, Binding, &c., Quarter ending 31st December, 1869 ..	344 5 7	
Pallant, J.—			
(3596)	Repairs to Surveying Instruments, &c., October to December, 1869 ..	15 15 0	
Standidge and Co.—			
(3597)	Bill for Lithography, November, 1869	7 8 0	
Addis, W.—			
(3598)	Boiler-range, &c., for Office, Spring Gardens, December, 1869 ..	6 0 0	
Ewin, E., and Co.—			
(3599)	Office Furniture, &c., August, 1869, to January, 1870	10 19 6	
Gardiner, T.—			
(3600)	Plumbing work at Office, January, 1870	2 9 3	
Smith, W. and F.—			
(3601)	Cleaning Office Windows for the year 1869	22 10 0	
Equitable Gas Light Co.—			
(3602)	Gas supplied, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869—		
	Office, Spring Gardens	£51 2 5	
	Outlet of King's Scholars' Pond Sewer	1 0 0	
		52	5
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—			
(3603)	Fair-Copying, December, 1869, Superintending Architect's Department	135 1	
Officers' Salaries—			
	Second Monthly Advance on account of Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—		
(3604)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	£25 0 0	
(3605)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,,	25 0 0	
(3606)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,,	25 0 0	
(3607)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,,	15 12 6	
(3608)	Estlin, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4	
(3609)	Link, G. E. ,, ,,	12 10 0	
(3610)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,,	12 0 0	
(3611)	Link, W. ,, ,,	11 13 4	
(3612)	Hammond, D. ,, ,,	10 16 8	
(3613)	Spencer, A. ,, ,,	10 16 8	
(3614)	Moore, H. F. ,, ,,	10 13 9	
(3615)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7 0 0	
(3616)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7 0 0	
(3617)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25 0 0	
(3618)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Accountant's Department	17 14 2	
(3619)	Whitworth, E., 3rd Clerk ,,	14 11 8	
(3620)	Doggett, E., Assistant Clerk ,,	13 6 8	
(3621)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,,	9 13 4	
(3622)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,,	6 6 8	
(3623)	Fenton, J. ,, ,,	5 0 0	
(3624)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25 0 0	
(3625)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25 0 0	
(3626)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25 0 0	
(3627)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	12 9 2	
(3628)	McDougall, J., Surveyor ,,	25 0 0	
(3629)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,,	25 0 0	
(3630)	Groves, W., ,, ,,	21 13 4	
(3631)	Hunter, R. J. ,, ,,	21 13 4	
(3632)	Crook, W. ,, ,,	16 13 4	
(3633)	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,,	16 13 4	
(3634)	Crane, W. ,, ,,	18 6 8	
(3635)	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,,	16 13 4	
	Carried forward ..	£530 11 3	7,037 11 0 ..

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	£530	11	3	7,037	11	0
Officers Salaries (Continued).							
(3636)	Mott, A., Draughtsman, Engineer's Department	16	13	4			
(3637)	Bell, J. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(3638)	Groves, S. ,, ,,	15	12	6			
(3639)	Dickins, C., Assistant Clerk ,,	8	6	8			
(3640)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works ,,	18	4	0			
(3641)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,,	9	2	0			
(3642)	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(3643)	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(3644)	Gibson, G. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(3645)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,,	8	6	8			
(3646)	Fernley, G. ,, ,,	4	13	4			
(3647)	Little, R. ,, ,,	6	13	4			
(3648)	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,,	6	13	4			
(3649)	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,,	5	8	4			
(3650)	Spake, J. ,, ,,	5	8	4			
(3651)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Architect's Department	25	0	0			
(3652)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer ,,	33	6	8			
(3653)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,,	25	0	0			
(3654)	Morgan, J. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(3655)	Norwood, C. Y. Draughtsman ,,	14	11	8			
(3656)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,,	25	0	0			
(3657)	Pape, J. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(3658)	White, C. W. ,, ,,	15	12	6			
(3659)	Chapman, W. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(3660)	Welsh, R. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(3661)	Knight, W. H. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(3662)	Robertson, T. J. ,, ,,	9	3	4			
(3663)	Bailey, A. J. ,, ,, (from 4th Feb.)	5	1	3			
(3664)	Hogarth, R. ,, Solicitor's Department	27	10	0			
(3665)	Hinchliff, G. ,, ,,	25	0	0			
(3666)	Fry, C. ,, ,,	23	6	8			
(3667)	Hertslet, F. ,, ,,	11	13	4			
(3668)	Bloomfield, E. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(3669)	Scott, G. W. ,, ,,	10	0	0			
(3670)	Holland, T., Record Room Keeper	12	10	0			
					1,019	5	2
Dethridge, G., Gas-meter Inspector—							
(3671)	Petty Disbursements, August to December, 1869				10	8	7
Mills, G., Gas-meter Inspector—							
(3672)	Petty Disbursements, October to December, 1869				3	11	7
Professional Charges, *re* Barking Inquiry—							
(3673)	Hawksley, T.	£105	0	0			
(3674)	Hawkshaw, J.	105	0	0			
(3675)	Gregory, C. H.	105	0	0			
(3676)	Hemans, G. W.	84	0	0			
(3677)	Bidder, G. P.	115	10	0			
					514	10	0
Reilly, F.—							
(3678)	Counsel's Fees, Session 1869, *re* Metropolitan Building Act Bill ..				168	10	6
Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Luke—							
(3679)	Purchase-money for Leasehold Interest in portion of St. Luke's Workhouse, for Shepherdess Walk Improvement				14,876	0	0
Freshfields and Newman—							
(3680)	Professional Charges, *re* Loan of £680,000..				34	19	6
							23,664 16 4
	FIRE BRIGADE.						
Langmead and Way, Contractors—							
(2375)	On account of Station, Adelaide Road, St. John's Wood				450	0	0
Whittick, H., Contractor—							
(2376)	Repairs, &c., at Fulham Station—						
	November, 1869 ,, ...	£2	14	7			
	January, 1870 ,, ...	1	14	3			
					4	8	10
	Carried forward				£454	8	10 23,664 16 4

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	454 8 10	23,664 16 4
TRUSCOTT, J., AND SON—		
(2377) Printing daily Reports of Fires, Quarter ending 31st December, 1869	142 4 0	
VESTRY OF KENSINGTON—		
(2378) Maintenance of Stations—One year to Lady day, 1869—		
Kensington £27 11 1		
Notting Hill 19 8 9		
	46 19 10	
PHILBRICK, F. A.—		
(2379) Counsel's Fees, *re* Blyth, November, 1869	3 10 6	
BEVAN, N.—Receiver of Chimney-fire Penalties—		
(2380) Second Monthly Advance on account of Salary for Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	15 14 7	
		662 17 9
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
KELK, WARING, AND LUCAS, Contractors—		
(1) On account of Northern Low Level Sewer, &c., between St. Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street, Blackfriars—Contract, No. 172		8,500 0 0
PARK LANE IMPROVEMENT.		
WILKINSON, J.—		
(4) Counsel's Fees, Session, 1869		84 0 0
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.		
BECK, S. A.—		
(2457) Taxed Costs of Investment, *re* Ironmongers' Company	258 9 11	
CAVEY, G.—		
(2458) Purchase Money of Leasehold Property for Crossness Roadway ..	100 0 0	
METCALFE AND MERCER—		
(2459) Surveyors' Fees, *re* Cavey, Crossness Roadway	5 0 0	
SHARP, W. AND H. P.—		
(2460) Costs of Title and Conveyance, *re* Cavey, Crossness Roadway	21 7 2	
CHALK, R. T., AND MURRAY, MISS K. H.—		
(2461) Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Purchase-money in respect of Land for Deptford Pumping Station, due 20th February, 1870	23 10 0	
		408 7 1
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—		
(2) *General*—		
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870 .. £572 14 10		
Collectors' Poundage, January, 1870 .. .. .. 40 5 6		
Compensations for damage by Flooding in Poplar, December, 1869 .. .. 26 0 0		
Rates, Taxes, and Gas—		
For Premises used for Drainage Purposes 16 5 6		
,, Gas-meter Testing-houses 27 8 10		
Petty Cash Payments, 25th January to 7th February, 1870 94 10 10		
	777 5 6	
Fire Brigade—		
Weekly Wages (Draughtsman), Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870 .. .. £5 0 0		
Ditto (Firemen)—		
Week ending 29th January, 1870 .. £516 13 0		
,, 5th February, ,, .. 515 17 6		
1,032 10 6		
Pensions to Widows of Firemen, Week ending 29th January, 1870 .. .. 1 11 0		
Superannuation Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service 24 14 6		
Rent of Lodgings for Firemen, January, 1870 .. .. 133 4 0		
Compensation paid to Mrs. Darling for damage caused by Fire Escape 35 0 0		
Collector's Poundage, January, 1870 .. .. .. 0 3 0		
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs 14 10 10		
Rates, Taxes, Water, and Gas, for sundry Stations .. 80 17 2		
	1,327 11 0	
Carried forward ..	£2,104 16 6	33,320 1 2

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	2,104 16 6	33,320 1 2
Wages and Petty Disbursement (Continued).			
Whitechapel Improvement—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870		6 6 0	
Chelsea Embankment—			
Weekly Wages—Week ending 2nd February, 1870		2 2 0	
Main Drainage Rate Collection—			
Collector's Poundage, January, 1870		1 15 0	
			2,114 19 6

THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.

Wages and Petty Disbursement—			
(2) *Thames Embankment North*—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870 ..	£24 11 0		
Hire of Statuette as sample for bronzing Lamp Standards	0 10 0		
		25 1 0	
Southern Embankment—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870		6 6 0	
Mansion House Street—			
Weekly Wages—Week ending 26th January, 1870		4 4 0	
			35 11 0

METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.

Wages and Petty Disbursement—		
(2462) Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd February, 1870		67 4 0
Total		£35,537 15 8

Certified,
(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAs. HARRIS,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
A. N. SHAW,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

Statement of Apportionment of Establishment Charges for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1869, referred to in the foregoing Report.

ACCOUNTS.	General Staff and Office Expenses.			Accountant's Department.						Engineer's Department.			Superintending Architect's Department.			Solicitor's Department.			Total.
				Cash, &c.			Rates.												
	Per cent.		Amount.	Per cent.		Amount.	Per cent.		Amount.	Per cent.		Amount.	Per cent.		Amount.	Per cent.		Amount.	
	Old.	New.		Old.	New.		Old.	New.		Old.	New.		Old.	New.		Old.	New.		
			£ s. d.			£ s. d.			£ s. d.			£ s. d.			£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General	40	Same.	3,812 15 2	25	25	314 4 4	30	35	72 7 0	27	Same.	1,560 18 10	40	40	765 11 8	35	Same.	667 0 10	7,192 17 10
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..		..	1	1	12 11 4	..	..	..	..		..	5	2	38 5 7	..		..	50 16 11
Victoria Park Approach	..		..	1	1	12 11 4	..	..	..	..		..	..	..	..	..		..	12 11 4
Finsbury Park	4		381 5 6	3	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	3		173 8 9	5	5	95 13 11	2		38 2 4	713 13 3
Southwark Park	3		285 19 2	3	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	3		173 8 9	5	5	95 13 11	1		19 1 2	599 5 9
Fire Brigade	4		381 5 6	15	15	188 10 7	35	30	62 0 0	3		173 8 9	..	..	..	9		171 10 6	976 15 4
Whitechapel Improvement	2		190 12 10	3	3	37 14 1	..	..	..	2		115 12 6	5	3	57 8 4	3		57 3 6	458 11 3
Holborn ,,	..		..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..		..	..	..	..	..		..	..
Kensington ,,	3		285 19 2	5	3	37 14 1	..	..	..	2		115 12 6	5	10	191 7 11	3		57 3 6	687 17 2
Metropolis Main Drainage	10		953 3 9	5	5	62 16 10	35	35	72 7 0	15		867 3 10	..	..	..	5		95 5 10	2,050 17 3
Thames Embankment, North	10		953 3 9	13	13	163 7 10	..	..	..	20		1,156 5 0	10	5	95 13 11	12		228 14 0	2,597 4 6
Southern Embankment	8		762 11 0	8	8	100 11 0	..	..	..	15		867 3 10	5	5	95 13 11	12		228 14 0	2,054 13 9
Mansion House Street	10		953 3 9	12	12	150 16 6	..	..	..	10		578 2 6	10	5	95 13 11	12		228 14 0	2,006 10 8
Park Lane Improvement	3		285 19 2	2	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	..		..	5	5	95 13 11	5		95 5 10	502 1 8
Stingo Lane ,,	2		190 12 10	3	6	75 8 3	..	..	..	..		..	5	15	287 1 10	1		19 1 2	572 4 1
Chelsea Embankment	1		95 6 5	..	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	..		..	..	..	..	..		..	120 9 2
	100	..	9,531 18 0	100	100	1,256 17 2	100	100	206 14 0	100	..	5,781 5 3	100	100	1,913 18 10	100	..	1,905 16 8	20,596 9 11

Spring Gardens,
25th January, 1870.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £35,537 15s. 8d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Establishment Charges for the half-year ending 31st December, 1869, be apportioned to the several Accounts in accordance with the following scale, and that the necessary cheques be drawn on the Accounts of the Board at the Bank of England, and that the other Accounts be adjusted in the books of the Board accordingly, viz.—

ACCOUNT.	General Staff and Office Expenses.		Accountant's Department.				Engineer's Department.		Superintending Architect's Department.		Solicitor's Department.		Total.
			Cash, &c.		Rates.								
	Per centage.	Amount.	Per centage.	Amount.	Per centage.	Amount.	Per centage.	Amount.	Per centage.	Amount.	Per centage.	Amount.	
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General	40	3,812 15 2	25	314 4 4	35	72 7 0	27	1,560 18 10	40	765 11 8	35	667 0 10	7,192 17 10
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	..	1	12 11 4	..	..	..	..	2	38 5 7	..	..	50 16 11
Victoria Park Approach	..	..	1	12 11 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12 11 4
Finsbury Park	4	381 5 6	2	25 2 9	..	..	3	173 8 9	5	95 13 11	2	38 2 4	713 13 3
Southwark Park ..	3	285 19 2	2	25 2 9	..	..	3	173 8 9	5	95 13 11	1	19 1 2	599 5 9
Fire Brigade	4	381 5	15	188 10 7	30	62 0 0	3	173 8 9	..	..	9	171 10 6	976 15 4
Whitechapel Improvement	2	190 12 10	3	37 14 1	..	..	2	115 12 6	3	57 8 4	3	57 3 6	458 11 3
Holborn Improvement	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kensington do. ..	3	285 19 2	3	37 14 1	..	..	2	115 12 6	10	191 7 11	3	57 3 6	687 17 2
Metropolis Main Drainage	10	953 3 9	5	62 16 10	35	72 7 0	15	867 3 10	..	..	5	95 5 10	2,050 17 3
Thames Embankment, North	10	953 3 9	13	163 7 10	..	..	20	1,156 5 0	5	95 13 11	12	228 14 0	2,597 4 6
Southern Embankment	8	762 11 0	8	100 11 0	..	..	15	867 3 10	5	95 13 11	12	228 14 0	2,054 13 9
Mansion House Street ..	10	953 3 9	12	150 16 6	..	..	10	578 2 6	5	95 13 11	12	228 14 0	2,006 10 8
Park Lane Improvement	3	285 19 2	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	..	5	95 13 11	5	95 5 10	502 1 8
Stingo Lane do. ..	2	190 12 10	6	75 8 3	..	..	..	..	15	287 1 10	1	19 1 2	572 4 1
Chelsea Embankment ..	1	95 6 5	2	25 2 9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	120 9 2
	100	9,531 18 0	100	1,256 17 2	100	206 14 0	100	5,781 5 3	100	1,913 18 10	100	1,905 16 8	20,596 9 11

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Precepts of the Board in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate for the present year be made payable in two equal instalments, one on the 26th of March, and the other on the 24th of June next.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Board of Works for the St. Saviour's District be permitted to borrow the sum of £2,000 for defraying the cost of paving a portion of Blackfriars-road, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding ten years.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the reference to the Committee by the Board on the 10th December, 1869, (No. 4), with regard to the works of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, be discharged.

5. The Board proceeded to consider further as to issuing the Precepts for the year 1870—

(1) On account of the liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers; and

(2) For the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate levied under the "Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869."

The Accountant laid before the Board a statement showing the annual value of the property in the City of London and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, presented to the Board on the 28th ultimo (No. 6).

The Board having examined and considered the said statement, it was **resolved** and **ordered** on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the same be approved and adopted.

The Accountant also laid before the Board a Statement, intituled, "Estimate of the sums re-

quired to be raised by the Board from the several Parishes, Districts, and Parts, in respect of the liabilities of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, for the year ending 31st December, 1870," and other documents containing details and particulars relative thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several columns in the said statement, headed—

1. Rateable Annual Value of Property as per County Rate Assessment or like Estimate; £18,719,237.

2. Amount of Rate at 1d. in the pound, £77,996 16s. 5d.

In respect of Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers for Securities granted before passing of Act 32 and 33 Vic., c. 102—

3. Instalment and Interest on Loan of £135,000 from Bank of England, Annuities, &c., £16,813 16s. 8d.

4. Amounts in Credit as per last Estimate, £3,398 12s. 10d.

5. Amount to be raised after allowing available Credits on parts of Parishes, £15,480 8s. 10d.

6. Sums in credit after allowing for Expenditure for the current year, £2065 5s.

Expenses of the Board in respect of Liabilities of the Board for Securities granted before passing of the Act 32 and 33 Vict., c. 102—

7. Interest on, and repayment of, Loan of £140,000, and Interest on Loans of £34,000 and £50,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society; £616,000 and £150,000 from the Bank of England; £100,000 from the Economic Assurance Society; £50,000 from the London Life Assurance Corporation, and £149,900 from sundry parties, £55,105 13s. 10d.

8. Main Drainage. Interest on and repayment in respect of Loan of £4,200,000 from Bank of England, £233,990 9s. 3d.

9. Fire Brigade. Interest on Loans of £30,000 from Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation and £10,000 from Hand-in-Hand Assurance Company, £1,722 10s.

10. Total, £290,818 13s. 1d.

For all other purposes of the Board—

11. Sewerage Works and Working Expenses of Pumping Stations, Supervision and Maintenance of Parks, &c., Expenses under Petroleum and Dangerous Structures Acts, Establishment Charges, Compensation and retired Allowances, £87,037 14s. Less surplus balance in hand, £33,239 7s. 7d.—£53,798 6s. 5d.

12. Fire Brigade. Working Expenses for the year, £37,275 18s. 2d.

13. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Inspectors' Allowances, Advertisements, &c., £600.

14. Total, £91,674 4s. 7d.

15. Total Expenses of the Board, £382,492 17s. 8d.

16. Amounts required from each Parish, District, or Part for the year 1870, £397,973 6s. 6d.

17. Rate in the £ on Rental approximately.

be respectively approved and adopted.

The Accountant presented apportionments of the amounts required for the year 1870, in respect of the liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and for the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, amongst the several Parishes and Parts liable thereto, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 28th January last, (No. 6).

Resolved—That the said apportionments be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That this Board do, and they do hereby ascertain the sums which ought, in their judgment, to be charged upon the several parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," and other parts, charged with Mortgages, Debts, and Liabilities, at the expiration of the Act of the 11th and 12th years of Her Majesty, chapter 112; and which were, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the "Metropolis Sewers Act, 1848," included in the several separate Sewerage Districts, for payment of the said Mortgages, Debts, and Liabilities, which at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolis Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon, and payable out of the Rates authorised to be levied thereunder; and which said Mortgages, Debts, and Liabilities, were and are, by virtue of the said "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," charged on the said parts of the Metropolis, and such other parts, respectively, for the year ending 31st December, 1870, under and pursuant to the said Acts; and **ordered**, that such sums be assessed, and they are hereby assessed, as shown by the Schedule hereto; and that Precepts under the Common Seal of the Board do issue for obtaining payment thereof.

SCHEDULE OF THE SUMS TO BE CHARGED ON THE PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS, RESPECTIVELY, ABOVE REFERRED TO.

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	
SAINT MARYLEBONE—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	11 12 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	323 8 0	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Western Sewers Sewerage District	2 3 2	
That part of the Parish included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	0 4 8	
		337 8 7
SAINT PANCRAS—		
That part of the Parish included in the former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	1 0 0	
That part of the Parish included in the former Holborn Division Sewerage District	235 14 7	
		236 14 7
SAINT MARY, LAMBETH—The whole of the Parish included in the former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		2,642 9 0
SAINT GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	14 17 0	
That part of the Parish included in the former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	359 14 2	
		374 11 2
SAINT MARY, ISLINGTON—The whole of the Parish included in the former Finsbury Division Sewerage District		38 8 11
SHOREDITCH, ST. LEONARD—The whole of the Parish included in the former Finsbury Division Sewerage District		22 2 8
PADDINGTON—		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	17 16 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	32 14 4	
		50 10 8
SAINT MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN—The whole of the Parish included in the former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale Lane Level Sewerage District		179 19 8
SAINT MARY, NEWINGTON, SURREY—The whole of the Parish included in the former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		1,024 1 10
CAMBERWELL—		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	1,125 3 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District	16 17 1	
		1,142 0 6

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Saint James, Westminster—		
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	112 1 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Western Sewers Sewerage District	1 13 10	
		113 15 8
Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell—The whole of the Parish included in the former Finsbury Division Sewerage District		18 18 7
Chelsea—		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	41 9 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	14 8 11	
		55 18 10
Saint Mary Abbott, Kensington—		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	205 4 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	6 3 1	
		211 7 10
Saint Luke, Middlesex—The whole of the Parish included in the former Finsbury Division Sewerage District		14 7 4
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark—The whole of the Parish included in the former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		671 18 3
Bermondsey—The whole of the Parish included in the former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		709 12 10
St. George-in-the-East—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District		204 0 6
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields—		
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	2 17 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	3 3 5	
		6 1 3
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town—The whole of the Hamlet included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District		259 2 11
Rotherhithe—The whole of the Parish included in the former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		344 19 2
St. John, Hampstead—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	2 8 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	5 1 8	
That part of the Parish included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	13 9 0	
		20 19 1
Whitechapel District—		
Saint Mary, Whitechapel—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	183 16 8	
Christ Church, Spitalfields—The whole of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	60 8 11	
Saint Botolph Without Aldgate—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	66 17 3	
Mile End New Town, Hamlet of—The whole of the Hamlet included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	24 8 3	
Liberty of Norton Folgate—The whole of the Liberty included in former Finsbury Division Sewerage District	13 8	
Old Artillery Ground—The whole included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	6 18 4	
		343 3 1
Westminster District.		
Saint Margaret and Saint John-the-Evangelist—		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	5 17 3	
That part of the said Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	3 6 11	
Carried forward	£ 9 4 2	

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	9 4 2	
That part of the Parishes of Saint Margaret and Saint John-the-Evangelist included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	106 14 7	
		115 18 9
Greenwich District—		
Saint Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham—		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	262 10 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Greenwich Sewerage District	206 15 9	
Saint Nicholas, Deptford—the whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	80 17 0	
Greenwich, the whole of the Parish included in former Greenwich Sewerage District	715 2 3	
		1,265 5 10
Wandsworth District—		
Clapham—the whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	444 13 4	
Tooting Graveney—		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	6 19 9	
Streatham—		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	200 0 8	
Saint Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge—The whole of the Parish excluding Penge, included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District.	426 6 11	
Wandsworth——		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	19 0 10	
		1,097 1 6
Hackney District—		
Hackney—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District.	87 16 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Hackney Brook Level Sewerage District	249 18 8	
St. Mary, Stoke Newington—The whole of the Parish included in former Finsbury Division Sewerage District.	2 7 2	
		340 2 8
Saint Giles District—		
Saint Giles and Saint George, Bloomsbury—		
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	1 13 8	
That part of the said Parish included in the former Holborn Division Sewerage District	61 0 6	
		62 14 2
Holborn District—		
Saint Andrew and Saint George-the-Martyr—The whole of the Parishes included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	53 15 6	
Saint Sepulchre, Middlesex—The whole of the Parish included in former Finsbury Division Sewerage District	1 11 3	
The Liberty of Saffron-hill, Hatton-garden, Ely-rents and Ely-place—The whole of the Liberty, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	12 3 10	
The Liberty of Glasshouse-yard—The whole of the Liberty, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London included in former Finsbury Division Sewerage District	0 8 10	
		67 19 5
Strand District—		
St. Anne, Soho—The whole of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	1 7 2	
St. Paul, Covent Garden—The whole of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	0 13 0	
Precinct of the Savoy—The whole of the Precinct included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	0 2 7	
St. Mary-le-Strand—The whole of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District.	0 4 5	
Liberty of the Rolls—The whole of the Liberty included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	6 10 11	
St. Clement Danes—The whole of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District.	1 5 5	
		10 3 6

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848." £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
Fulham District—		
Hammersmith—St. Peter and St. Paul.		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	8 16 3	
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District	687 19 10	
Fulham—		
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District	28 8 6	
That part of the said parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District	281 17 1	
		1,007 1 8
Limehouse District—		
St. Anne, Limehouse—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	41 11 10	
That part of the said parish included in former Limehouse Level Sewerage District	21 15 10	
St. John, Wapping—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	35 5 10	
Saint Paul, Shadwell—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	40 16 6	
Hamlet of Ratcliff—The whole of the Hamlet included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	75 12 5	
		215 2 5
Poplar District—		
All Saints, Poplar—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District.	20 4 1	
Saint Mary, Stratford-le-Bow—		
That part of the Parish included in former Hackney-brook Level Sewerage District	3 5 11	
St. Leonard, Bromley—		
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District	5 8 8	
		28 18 8
St. Saviour's District—		
Christchurch—The whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District.	342 5 4	
Saint Saviour (Including the Liberty of the Clink)—The whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	525 10 6	
		867 15 10
Plumstead District—		
Charlton next Woolwich—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District	87 12 10	
Eltham—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District	5 17 4	
Lee—		
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District	189 7 10	
Kidbrooke—		
That part of the said Liberty included in former Greenwich Sewerage District	16 0 6	
That part of the said Liberty included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District	23 1 1	
		321 19 7
Saint Olave District—		
Saint Olave—The whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District.	273 9 9	
St. Thomas, Southwark—The whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District.	24 5 9	
St. John, Horselydown—The whole of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	223 13 9	
		521 9 3
The Charter House, included in former Finsbury Division Sewerage District		0 3 5
Gray's Inn, included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District		5 10 1
Parishes and Parts without the Limits of the Metropolis, as defined by the Act—		
Acton—		
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District		149 7 5

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Ealing—		
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District		45 15 5
Extra Parochial—		
Southampton Buildings, &c., included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	0 7 9	
Lambeth Palace, included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	9 8 8	
Deptford Dockyard included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	5 7 10	
Borough Market (Tolls) included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District	2 3 0	
		17 7 3
Chiswick—		
The whole of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District		281 6 11
Croydon—		
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District		36 12 2
Total £	..	£15,480 8 10

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the several parties to whom such Precepts shall be directed be required to pay the sum or sums therein mentioned to the London and Westminster Bank, Treasurer and Banker of the Board, on or before the 24th day of June next.

The Accountant laid before the Board the said Precepts in respect of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers for the current year.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Precepts, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That this Board do, pursuant to the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and the Acts therein referred to, Assess a Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and they do hereby ascertain the sums which ought, in their judgment, to be included in the said Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, and to be assessed and raised upon the City of London and the several parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," for defraying the expenses of the said Board in the execution of the Act, and the Acts for amending, extending, and varying the same, for the year ending 31st December, 1870, under and pursuant to the said Acts; and it is **ordered**, that such sums be assessed, and they are hereby assessed, as shown by the Schedule hereto; and that Precepts under the Common Seal of the Board do issue for obtaining payment thereof.

Schedule of the Sums charged on the Parishes, Districts or Parts respectively above referred to.

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses including Interest and Repayment of Debt, under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
City of London—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	28,114 10 6			33,929 14 11
,, Fire Brigade		206 19 3		
,, General Improvements			5,608 5 2	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		4,478 15 10	5,850 12 5	10,329 8 3
Total sums required	28,114 10 6	4,685 15 1	11,458 17 7	44,259 3 2
Saint Marylebone—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, for which a separate precept is issued, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	14,666 9 0			18,562 14 6
,, Fire Brigade		107 19 4		
,, General Improvements.			3,788 6 2	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		2,336 8 10	3,350 19 8	5,687 8 6
Total sums required	14,666 9 0	2,444 8 2	7,139 5 10	24,250 3 0

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.								
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.			For Fire Brigade — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.			For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Saint Pancras—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	13,822	19	0									
,, Fire Brigade				101	15	2				17,291	16	6
,, General Improvements							3,367	2	4			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				2,202	1	4	3,294	16	9	5,496	18	1
Total sums required	13,822	19	0	2,303	16	6	6,661	19	1	22,788	14	7
Lambeth—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	9,625	0	0									
,, Fire Brigade				70	17	1				12,039	0	5
,, For General Improvements							2,343	3	4			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				1,533	6	3	2,039	16	5	3,573	2	8
Total sums required	9,625	0	0	1,604	3	4	4,382	19	9	15,612	3	1
Saint George, Hanover Square—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	15,514	15	0									
,, Fire Brigade				114	4	2				19,495	10	1
,, General Improvements.							3,866	10	11			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				2,471	11	8	3,622	16	3	6,094	7	11
Total sums required	15,514	15	0	2,585	15	10	7,489	7	2	25,589	18	0
Saint Mary, Islington—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	12,264	9	0									
,, Fire Brigade				90	5	8				15,178	8	8
,, General Improvements							2,823	14	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				1,953	15	10	3,012	7	6	4,966	3	4
Total sums required	12,264	9	0	2,044	1	6	5,836	1	6	20,144	12	0
Saint Leonard, Shoreditch—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	5,580	5	0									
,, Fire Brigade				41	1	7				6,951	12	4
,, General Improvements.							1,330	5	9			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				888	19	3	1,305	3	8	2,194	2	11
Total sums required	5,580	5	0	930	0	10	2,635	9	5	9,145	15	3

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Paddington—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	11,506 16 0			14,258 1 1
,, Fire Brigade		84 14 1		
,, General Improvements.			2,666 11 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		1,833 1 11	2,767 18 3	4,601 0 2
Total sums required	11,506 16 0	1,917 16 0	5,434 9 3	18,859 1 3
Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	3,443 17 0			4,246 5 11
,, Fire Brigade		25 7 0		
,, General Improvements			777 1 11	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		548 12 6	899 2 10	1,447 15 4
Total sums required	3,443 17 0	573 19 6	1,676 4 9	5,694 1 3
Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	3,500 0 0			4,387 19 0
,, Fire Brigade.		25 15 4		
,, General Improvements.			862 3 8	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		557 11 4	741 15 0	1,299 6 4
Total sums required	3,500 0 0	583 6 8	1,603 18 8	5,687 5 4
Camberwell—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	4,750 0 0			5,913 15 4
,, Fire Brigade.		34 19 4		
,, General Improvements.			1,128 16 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		756 14 0	1,006 13 2	1,763 7 2
Total sums required	4,750 0 0	791 13 4	2,135 9 2	7,677 2 6
Saint James, Westminster—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	6,414 9 0			8,096 6 6
,, Fire Brigade		47 4 5		
,, General Improvements.			1,634 13 1	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		1,021 17 1	1,463 4 0	2,485 1 1
Total sums required	6,414 9 0	1,069 1 6	3,097 17 1	10,581 7 7
St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell (*Continued.*)				
For Main Drainage	3,309 6 0			
,, Fire Brigade		24 7 3		4,179 10 11
,, General Improvements.			845 17 8	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		527 3 9	746 9 0	1,273 12 9
Total sums required	3,309 6 0	551 11 0	1,592 6 8	5,453 3 8
Chelsea—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	4,087 3 0			
,, Fire Brigade		30 1 9		5,119 11 9
,, General Improvements			1,002 7 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		651 2 1	921 4 2	1,572 6 3
Total sums required	4,087 3 0	681 3 10	1,923 11 2	6,691 18 0
Saint Mary Abbot, Kensington—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	10,203 17 0			
,, Fire Brigade		75 2 4		12,523 11 0
,, General Improvements			2,244 11 8	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		1,625 10 6	2,802 6 10	4,427 17 4
Total sums required	10,203 17 0	1,700 12 10	5,046 18 6	16,951 8 4
Saint Luke, Middlesex—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	3,047 13 0			
,, Fire Brigade		22 8 8		3,818 19 6
,, General Improvements			748 17 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		485 10 2	762 6 9	1,247 16 11
Total sums required	3,047 13 0	507 18 10	1,511 4 7	5,066 16 5
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Acts, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,187 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		16 2 1		2,747 11 2
,, General Improvements			543 19 1	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		348 9 7	463 11 10	812 1 5
Total sums required	2,187 10 0	364 11 8	1,007 10 11	3,559 12 7
Bermondsey—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,925 0 0			
,, Fire Brigade		21 10 8		3,643 13 1
,, General Improvements			697 2 5	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		465 19 4	619 17 10	1,085 17 2
Total sums required	2,925 0 0	487 10 0	1,317 0 3	4,729 10 3

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.								
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.			For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.			For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Saint George-in-the-East—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	2,568	8	9									
,, Fire Brigade				18	18	1				3,242	19	10
,, General Improvements							655	13	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				409	3	4	562	1	0	971	4	4
Total sums required	2,568	8	9	428	1	5	1,217	14	0	4,214	4	2
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	3,757	1	0									
,, Fire Brigade				27	13	2				4,749	18	10
,, General Improvements							965	4	8			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				598	10	4	867	14	10	1,466	5	2
Total sums required	3,757	1	0	626	3	6	1,832	19	6	6,216	4	0
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	3,194	8	0									
,, Fire Brigade				23	10	4				3,984	18	4
,, General Improvements							767	0	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				508	17	8	807	18	5	1,316	16	1
Total sums required	3,194	8	0	532	8	0	1,574	18	5	5,301	14	5
Woolwich—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	1,122	11	6									
,, Fire Brigade				8	5	3				1,354	15	4
,, General Improvements							223	18	7			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				178	16	8	225	6	8	404	3	4
Total sums required	1,122	11	6	187	1	11	449	5	3	1,758	18	8
Rotherhithe—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	1,575	0	0									
,, Fire Brigade				11	11	11				1,956	0	5
,, General Improvements							369	8	6			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				250	18	1	333	15	9	584	13	10
Total sums required	1,575	0	0	262	10	0	703	4	3	2,540	14	3

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Saint John, Hampstead—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,958 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		21 15 7		3,636 18 7
,, General Improvements			656 13 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board.		471 6 1	807 15 8	1,279 1 9
Total sums required	2,958 10 0	493 1 8	1,464 8 8	4,916 0 4
Whitechapel District—				
Saint Mary, Whitechapel—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,866 4 6			
,, Fire Brigade		13 14 9		2,345 6 4
,, General Improvements			465 7 1	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		297 6 0	439 18 1	737 4 1
Total sums required	1,866 4 6	311 0 9	905 5 2	3,082 10 5
Christchurch, Spitalfields—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	833 19 0			
,, Fire Brigade		6 2 9		1,036 14 3
,, General Improvements			196 12 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		132 17 1	215 8 7	348 5 8
Total sums required	833 19 0	138 19 10	412 1 1	1,384 19 11
Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	517 4 9			
,, Fire Brigade		3 16 2		664 1 9
,, General Improvements			143 0 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		82 8 0	102 10 10	184 18 10
Total sums required	517 4 9	86 4 2	245 11 8	849 0 7
Holy Trinity, Minories—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	97 19 9			
,, Fire Brigade		0 14 5		123 8 1
,, General Improvements			24 13 11	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		15 12 2	20 15 3	36 7 5
Total sums required	97 19 9	16 6 7	45 9 2	159 15 6

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Whitechapel District (*Continued.*)				
Precinct of St. Katharine—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	219 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		1 12 4		278 14 4
,, General Improvements			57 12 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		34 19 4	47 2 2	82 1 6
Total sums required	219 10 0	36 11 8	104 14 2	360 15 10
Hamlet of Mile End New Town—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act. 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	293 15 0			
,, Fire Brigade		2 3 3		366 14 8
,, General Improvements			70 16 5	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		46 15 11	78 3 5	124 19 4
Total sums required	293 15 0	48 19 2	148 19 10	491 14 0
Liberty of Norton Folgate—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	114 14 0			
,, Fire Brigade		0 17 1		145 2 6
,, General Improvements			29 11 5	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		18 5 3	24 15 3	43 0 6
Total sums required	114 14 0	19 2 4	54 6 8	188 3 0
Old Artillery Ground—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	71 8 9			
,, Fire Brigade		0 10 6		89 13 7
,, General Improvements			17 14 4	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		11 7 7	17 5 0	28 12 7
Total sums required	71 8 9	11 18 1	34 19 4	118 6 2
District of the Tower—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	57 16 3			
,, Fire Brigade		0 8 6		72 2 6
,, General Improvements			13 17 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		9 4 2	14 13 9	23 17 11
Total sums required	57 16 3	9 12 8	28 11 6	96 0 5
Total on account of debt	4,072 12 0	29 19 9	1,019 6 3	5,121 18 0
Total for all other purposes		648 15 6	960 12 4	1,609 7 10
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District	4,072 12 0	678 15 3	1,979 18 7	6,731 5 10

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Westminster District—				
Saint Margaret, and Saint John the Evangelist, Westminster—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	5,724 11 0			7,128 14 3
,, Fire Brigade		42 2 9		
,, General Improvements			1,362 0 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		911 19 1	1,453 7 5	2,365 6 6
Total sums required	5,724 11 0	954 1 10	2,815 7 11	9,494 0 9
Greenwich District—				
Saint Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Acts, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,400 12 6			2,982 15 6
,, Fire Brigade		17 13 5		
,, General Improvements			564 9 7	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		382 8 8	508 15 3	891 3 11
Total sums required	2,400 12 6	400 2 1	1,073 4 10	3,873 19 5
Saint Nicholas, Deptford—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	206 5 0			266 3 6
,, Fire Brigade		1 10 4		
,, General Improvements			58 8 2	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		32 17 2	40 13 3	73 10 5
Total sums required	206 5 0	34 7 6	99 1 5	339 13 11
Greenwich—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the Late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,861 2 6			2,349 13 3
,, Fire Brigade		13 14 0		
,, General Improvements			474 16 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		296 9 9	394 7 6	690 17 3
Total sums required	1,861 2 6	310 3 9	869 4 3	3,040 10 6
Total on account of Debt	4,468 0 0	32 17 9	1,097 14 6	5,598 12 3
Total for all other purposes		711 15 7	943 16 0	1,655 11 7
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District	4,468 0 0	744 13 4	2,041 10 6	7,254 3 10
Wandsworth District—				
Clapham—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wandsworth District (*Continued.*)				
Clapham, (*Continued*)—				
For Main Drainage	1,692 17 6			2,114 4 10
,, Fire Brigade		12 9 3		
,, General Improvements			408 18 1	
2nd. For all other purposesof the Board		269 13 8	358 15 5	628 9 1
Total sums required	1,692 17 6	282 2 11	767 13 6	2,742 13 11
Tooting Graveney—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metroplitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	150 0 0			189 10 0
,, Fire Brigade		1 2 1		
,, General Improvements			38 7 11	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		23 17 11	31 15 9	55 13 8
Total sums required	150 0 0	25 0	70 3 8	245 3 8
Streatham—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,050 0 0			1,309 4 4
,, Fire Brigade		7 14 7		
,, General Improvement			251 9 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		167 5 5	222 11 11	389 17 4
Total sums required	1,050 0 0	175 0 0	474 1 8	1,699 1 8
St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities, granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,380 5 0			2,940 17 2
,, Fire Brigade		17 10 5		
,, General Improvements			543 1 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		379 3 9	504 8 11	883 12 8
Total sums required	2,380 5 0	396 14 2	1,047 10 8	3,824 9 10
Wandsworth—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities, granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,223 7 6			1,514 6 2
,, Fire Brigade		9 0 1		
,, General Improvements			281 18 7	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		194 17 10	259 5 4	454 3 2
Total sums required	1,223 7 6	203 17 11	541 3 11	1,968 9 4
Putney, including Rochampton—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	806 5 0			1,003 4 5
,, Fire Brigade		5 18 8		
,, General Improvements			191 0 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		128 8 10	170 17 3	299 6 1
Total sums required	806 5 0	134 7 6	361 18 0	1,302 10 6

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required. For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
Wandsworth District (*Continued.*)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total on account of Debts	7,302 15 0	53 15 1	1,714 16 10	9,071 6 11
Total for all other purposes		1,163 7 5	1,547 14 7	2,711 2 0
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District	7,302 15 0	1,217 2 6	3,262 11 5	11,782 8 11
Hackney District—				
Hackney—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	6,380 1 0			7,899 17 4
,, Fire Brigade		46 19 4	1,472 17 0	
,, General Improvements . .				
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		1,016 7 6	1,732 3 6	2,748 11 0
Total sums required	6,380 1 0	1,063 6 10	3,205 0 6	10,648 8 4
St. Mary, Stoke Newington—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	754 16 0			934 1 2
,, Fire Brigade		5 11 1	173 14 1	
,, General Improvements . .				
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		120 4 11	186 5 6	306 10 5
Total sums required . .	754 16 0	125 16 0	359 19 7	1,240 11 7
Total on account of Debt	7,134 17 0	52 10 5	1,646 11 1	8,833 18 6
Total for all other purposes.. ..		1,136 12 5	1,918 9 0	3,055 1 5
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Hackney District	7,134 17 0	1,189 2 10	3,565 0 1	11,888 19 11
St. Giles District—				
St. Giles and St. George, Bloomsbury—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	3,977 10 0			5,026 11 11
,, Fire Brigade		29 5 7	1,019 16 4	
,, General Improvements . .				
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		633 12 9	925 15 0	1,559 7 9
Total sums required	3,977 10 0	662 18 4	1,945 11 4	6,585 19 8
Holborn District—				
St. Andrew & St. George-the-Martyr—				
1st Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,056 17 0			2,596 4 8
,, Fire Brigade		15 2 10		
,, General Improvements . .			524 4 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		327 13 4	483 3 10	810 17 2
Total sums required	2,056 17 0	342 16 2	1,007 8 8	3,407 1 10

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Holborn District (*Continued.*)				
St. Sepulchre, Middlesex—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	270 5 0			
,, Fire Brigade		1 19 9		341 9 4
,, General Improvements			69 4 7	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		43 1 1	65 13 4	108 14 5
Total sums required	270 5 0	45 0 10	134 17 11	450 3 9
Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, Ely Rents, and Ely Place, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	427 16 3			
,, Fire Brigade		3 3 0		540 7 3
,, General Improvements			109 8 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		68 3 1	95 15 11	163 19 0
Total sums required	427 16 3	71 6 1	205 3 11	704 6 3
The Liberty of Glasshouse Yard, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	50 3 6			
,, Fire Brigade		0 7 4		
,, General Improvements			13 3 2	63 14 0
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		7 19 11	10 6 10	18 6 9
Total sums required	50 3 6	8 7 3	23 10 0	82 0 9
Total on account of debt	2,805 1 9	20 12 11	716 0 7	3,541 15 3
Total on account for all other purposes		446 17 5	654 19 11	1,101 17 4
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Holborn District	2,805 1 9	467 10 4	1,371 0 6	4,643 12 7
Strand District—				
St. Anne, Soho—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,275 17 0			
,, Fire Brigade		9 7 10		1,618 0 4
,, General Improvements			332 15 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		203 5 0	282 4 6	485 9 6
Total sums required	1,275 17 0	212 12 10	615 0 0	2,103 9 10

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Act.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Strand District (*Continued.*)				
St. Paul, Covent Garden—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Acts, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	650 7 0			822 6 11
,, Fire Brigade		4 15 9		
,, General Improvements			167 4 2	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		103 12 1	143 18 8	247 10 9
Total sums required	650 7 0	108 7 10	311 2 10	1,069 17 8
Precinct of the Savoy—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	136 2 0			171 12 10
,, Fire Brigade		1 0 0		
,, General Improvements			34 10 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		21 13 8	32 8 10	54 2 6
Total sums required	136 2 0	22 13 8	66 19 8	225 15 4
St. Mary-le-Strand—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	253 0 0			318 3 1
,, Fire Brigade		1 17 2		
,, General Improvements			63 5 11	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		40 6 2	58 5 1	98 11 3
Total sums required	253 0 0	42 3 4	121 11 0	416 14 4
St. Clement Danes—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,361 18 0			1,716 18 4
,, Fire Brigade		10 0 6		
,, General Improvements			344 19 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		216 19 2	315 11 8	532 10 10
Total sums required	1,361 18 0	226 19 8	660 11 6	2,249 9 2

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Strand District (*Continued*)				
Liberty of the Rolls—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	266 17 0			
,, Fire Brigade		1 19 5		335 18 8
,, General Improvements			67 2 3	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		42 10 1	61 14 2	104 4 3
Total sums required	266 17 0	44 9 6	128 16 5	440 2 11
Total on account of Debt	3,944 1 0	29 0 8	1,009 18 6	4,983 0 2
Total for all other purposes		628 6 2	894 2 11	1,522 9 1
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Strand District	3,944 1 0	657 6 10	1,904 1 5	6,505 9 3
Fulham District—				
Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Hammersmith—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,243 0 0			
,, Fire Brigade		16 10 4		2,764 19 2
,, General Improvements			505 8 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		357 6 4	626 12 6	983 18 10
Total sums required	2,243 0 0	373 16 8	1,132 1 4	3,748 18 0
Fulham—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,251 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		9 4 3		1,551 12 4
,, General Improvements			290 18 1	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		199 7 5	332 11 5	531 18 10
Total sums required	1,251 10 0	208 11 8	623 9 6	2,083 11 2
Total on account of Debt	3,494 10 0	25 14 7	796 6 11	4,316 11 6
Total for all other purposes		556 13 9	959 3 11	1,515 17 8
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Fulham District	3,494 10 0	582 8 4	1,755 10 10	5,832 9 2
Limehouse District—				
Saint Anne, Limehouse—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,315 18 0			
,, Fire Brigade		9 13 9		1,635 19 6
,, General Improvements			310 7 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		209 12 7	314 6 0	523 18 7
Total sums required	1,315 18 0	219 6 4	624 13 9	2,159 18 1

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
Limehouse District (*Continued*).	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. John, Wapping—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	682 4 0			
,, Fire Brigade		5 0 5		853 16 3
,, General Improvements			166 11 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		108 13 7	168 11 7	277 5 2
Total sums required	682 4 0	113 14 0	335 3 5	1,131 1 5
St. Paul, Shadwell—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	617 12 0			
,, Fire Brigade		4 10 11		
,, General Improvements			149 16 0	771 18 11
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		98 7 9	144 12 1	242 19 10
Total sums required	617 12 0	102 18 8	294 8 1	1,014 18 9
Hamlet of Ratcliff—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	802 2 0			
,, Fire Brigade		5 18 1		1,005 17 7
,, General Improvements			197 17 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		127 15 7	175 5 7	303 1 2
Total sums required	802 2 0	133 13 8	373 3 1	1,308 18 9
Total on account of Debt	3,417 16 0	25 3 2	824 13 1	4,267 12 3
Total for all other purposes		544 9 6	802 15 3	1,347 4 9
Total sums required for the Board of Works for the Limehouse District	3,417 16 0	569 12 8	1,627 8 4	5,614 17 0
Poplar District—				
All Saints' Poplar—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	3,245 9 0			
,, Fire Brigade		23 17 10		4,050 9 5
,, General Improvements			781 2 7	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		517 0 4	784 5 8	1,301 6 0
Total sums required	3,245 9 0	540 18 2	1,565 8 3	5,351 15 5

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Amount.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvements Act.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Poplar District (*Continued.*)				
St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,145 9 0			
,, Fire Brigade		8 8 7		1,405 14 8
,, General Improvements			251 17 1	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		182 9 7	329 14 6	512 4 1
Total sums required	1,145 9 0	190 18 2	581 11 7	1,917 18 9
St. Leonard, Bromley—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,627 2 0			
,, Fire Brigade		11 19 7		1,994 19 1
,, General Improvements			355 17 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		259 4 1	439 15 0	698 19 1
Total sums required	1,627 2 0	271 3 8	795 12 6	2,693 18 2
Total on account of Debt.	6,018 0 0	44 6 0	1,388 17 2	7,451 3 2
Total for all other purposes		958 14 0	1,553 15 2	2,512 9 2
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Poplar District	6,018 0 0	1,003 0 0	2,942 12 4	9,963 12 4
St. Saviour's District—				
Christchurch—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	837 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		6 3 4		1,065 10 11
,, General Improvements			221 17 7	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		133 8 4	177 9 8	310 18 0
Total sums required	837 10 0	139 11 8	399 7 3	1,376 8 11
St. Saviour, including the Liberty of the Clink—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,587 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		11 13 9		2,000 0 7
,, General Improvements			400 16 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		252 17 11	336 8 9	589 6 8
Total sums required	1,587 10 0	264 11 8	737 5 7	2,589 7 3
Total on account of Debt.	2,425 0 0	17 17 1	622 14 5	3,065 11 6
Total for all other purposes		386 6 3	513 18 5	900 4 8
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the St. Saviour's District	2,425 0 0	404 3 4	1,136 12 10	3,965 16 2

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Amount.	Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Plumstead District—				
Charlton, next Woolwich—				
1st. Principal and Interest of and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Acts, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	571 12 3			
,, Fire Brigade		4 4 2		715 6 2
,, General Improvements			139 9 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		91 1 3	121 8 1	212 9 4
Total sums required	571 12 3	95 5 5	260 17 10	927 15 6
Plumstead—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	762 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		5 12 3		944 15 1
,, General Improvements			176 12 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		121 9 5	169 0 1	290 9 6
Total sums required	762 10 0	127 1 8	345 12 11	1,235 4 7
Eltham—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Acts, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	317 15 3			
,, Fire Brigade		2 6 9		396 6 10
,, General Improvements			76 4 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		50 12 5	73 19 9	124 12 2
Total sums required	317 15 3	52 19 2	150 4 7	520 19 0
Lee—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	770 16 3			
,, Fire Brigade		5 13 6		950 10 8
,, General Improvements			174 0 11	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		122 15 11	170 19 2	293 15 1
Total sums required	770 16 3	128 9 5	345 0 1	1,244 5 9

Parishes,, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. — Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. — Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Plumstead District (*Continued.*)				
Kidbrooke—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage . . .	182 13 3			
,, Fire Brigade		1 6 11		227 17 4
,, General Improvements . .			43 17 2	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		29 2 0	40 5 8	69 7 8
Total sums required. . . .	182 13 3	30 8 11	84 2 10	297 5 0
Total on account of Debt . . .	2,605 7 0	19 3 7	610 5 6	3,234 16 1
Total for all other purposes . .		415 1 0	575 12 9	990 13 9
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Plumstead District.	2.605 7 0	434 4 7	1,185 18 3	4,225 9 10
Lewisham District—				
Lewisham, including Sydenham Chapelry—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	2,591 2 3			
,, Fire Brigade		19 1 5		3,220 19 4
,, General Improvements. . .			610 15 8	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		412 15 7	549 16 5	962 12 0
Total sums required . . .	2,591 2 3	431 17 0	1,160 12 1	4,183 11 4
Hamlet of Penge—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	1,187 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		8 14 10		1,458 8 4
,, General Improvements . .			262 3 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		189 3 6	251 13 5	440 16 11
Total sums required . . .	1,187 10 0	197 18 4	513 16 11	1,899 5 3
Total on account of Debt . .	3,778 12 3	27 16 3	872 19 2	4,679 7 8
Total for all other purposes . .		601 19 1	801 9 10	1,403 8 11
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District.	3,778 12 3	629 15 4	1,674 9 0	6,082 16 7
St. Olave District—				
St. Olave—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	887 10 0			
,, Fire Brigade		6 10 9		1,114 17 7
,, General Improvements . .			229 16 10	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		141 7 7	188 1 7	329 9 2
Total sums required . . .	887 10 0	147 18 4	408 18 5	1,444 6 9

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interests, and Sinking Fund Accounts.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. Olave District (*Continued.*)				
St. Thomas, Southwark—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	131 5 0			
,, Fire Brigade		0 19 4		162 5 10
,, General Improvements			30 1 6	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		20 18 2	27 16 4	48 14 6
Total sums required	131 5 0	21 17 6	57 17 10	211 0 4
St. John, Horselydown—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	743 15 0			
,, Fire Brigade		5 9 6		933 8 3
,, General Improvements			184 3 9	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		118 9 8	157 12 6	276 2 2
Total sums required	743 15 0	123 19 2	341 16 3	1,209 10 5
Total on account of Debt	1,762 10 0	12 19 7	435 2 1	2,210 11 8
Total for all other purposes		280 15 5	373 10 5	654 5 10
Total sums required from the Board of Works for the St. Olave District	1,762 10 0	293 15 0	808 12 6	2,864 17 6
The Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, Westminster—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	25 3 0			
,, Fire Brigade		0 3 8		25 6 8
,, General Improvements			0 0 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		4 0 2	6 19 3	10 19 5
Total sums required	25 3 0	4 3 10	6 19 3	36 6 1
The Charter House—				
1st Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	24 7 0			
,, Fire Brigade		0 3 7		31 1 3
,, General Improvements			6 10 8	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		3 17 7	5 3 2	9 0 9
Total sums required	24 7 0	4 1 2	11 13 10	40 2 0

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.								
	For Main Drainage. Principal Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.			For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt and Current Expenses.			For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Inner Temple—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	248	6	6							250	3	1
,, Fire Brigade				1	16	7						
,, General Improvements							0	0	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				39	11	2	68	15	2	108	6	4
Total sums required	248	6	6	41	7	9	68	15	2	358	9	5
Middle Temple—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	162	10	0							163	13	11
,, Fire Brigade				1	3	11						
,, General Improvements							0	0	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				25	17	9	44	19	11	70	17	8
Total sums required	162	10	0	27	1	8	44	19	11	234	11	7
Lincoln's Inn—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	221	13	0							223	5	8
,, Fire Brigade												
,, General Improvements				1	12	8	0	0	0			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				35	6	2	61	7	5	96	13	7
Total sums required	221	13	0	36	18	10	61	7	5	319	19	3
Gray's Inn—												
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, exclusive of the liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, viz.—												
For Main Drainage	165	12	0							211	9	10
,, Fire Brigade				1	4	4						
,, General Improvements							44	13	6			
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board				26	7	8	36	6	1	62	13	9
Total sums required	165	12	0	27	12	0	80	19	7	274	3	7

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Sums Required.			
	For Main Drainage. Principal, Interest, and Sinking Fund Account.	For Fire Brigade. Interest of Debt, and Current Expenses.	For all other Expenses, including Interest and Repayment of Debt under the General Improvement Acts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d	£ s. d.	£ s. d
Staple Inn—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	32 5 0			32 9 9
,, Fire Brigade		0 4 9		
,, General Improvements			0 0 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		5 2 9	8 18 7	14 1 4
Total sums required	32 5 0	5 7 6	8 18 7	46 11 1
Furnival's Inn—				
1st. Principal and Interest of, and Sinking Fund for, securities granted before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, viz.—				
For Main Drainage	39 12 0			39 17 10
,, Fire Brigade		0 5 10		
,, General Improvements			0 0 0	
2nd. For all other purposes of the Board		6 6 2	10 19 3	17 5 5
Total sums required	39 12 0	6 12 0	10 19 3	57 3 3
Total sums required from the City of London and the several Parishes and Districts, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate :—				
Total on account of Debt	233,990 9 3	1,722 10 0	55,105 13 10	290,818 13 1
Total for all other purposes		37,275 18 2	54,398 6 5	91,674 4 7
Total sums required from the City of London and the several Parishes and Districts in the Metropolis, in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate	233,990 9 3	38,998 8 2	109,504 0 3	382,492 17 8

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several parties to whom such Precepts shall be directed, be required to pay the sum or sums therein mentioned to the London and Westminster Bank, Treasurer and Banker of the Board, in manner following, viz.—one moiety on or before the 26th of March next, and the remainder on or before the 24th June next.

The Accountant laid before the Board the said Precepts in respect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate for the current year.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Precepts; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

6. The Board considered further the letters from the Woolwich Local Board of Health, and the Vestries of Plumstead and Charlton, with reference to the reduction of the County Rate Assessment, adjourned on Friday last (No. 2).

The Clerk reported that the Solicitor was of opinion that the Board had no power to assent to the views expressed in the letters in question, and had communicated with the Woolwich Local Board to the effect that this Board in making their assessment could only adopt the County Rate Assessment now in force.

Resolved—That similar communications be addressed to the Vestries of Plumstead and Charlton.

7. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 7th February, 1870.

Your Committee have now under consideration certain communications which have been received from the Chartered Gas Company, with reference to a proposal by them to lay a 36-inch gas main in the subway of the Thames Embankment, North, and they have caused a letter to be addressed to the Company submitting, for their consideration, the views which your Committee, after conference with the Engineer, entertain with regard to the method of carrying out the proposed work. No reply to that letter has at present been received, but there is one point in connection with the subject, upon which your Committee have now to report. This relates to a proposition, on behalf of the Company, as to an alteration in the mode of ventilation. Your Committee have had before them a joint Report by the Engineer and Mr. Bramwell, from which it appears that at present the ventilation of the subway is effected by two series of openings, 9 inches in diameter, one at the bottom of the land side of the subway, and the other at the crown of the arch; the former being placed, for the most part, at intervals of 70 feet, and carried up to the surface of the footway paving; the latter, generally at similar intervals and intermediately to the former, and carried up to the top of the granite lamp pedestals on the Embankment wall. The Engineer and Mr. Bramwell recommended that additional ventilation should be provided, partly by perforating the cover plates to the existing openings giving access to the subway, of which there are five, and they proposed to add to these five additional and intermediate openings of larger dimensions to admit of the introduction of large mains as suggested by Mr. Evans, the Company's Engineer and the cover plates of these they also proposed to perforate. Also that 32 further additional openings, 1′ 9″ in diameter, should be made in the crown of the subway, covered by gratings, and placed at intervals varying from 110 to 150 feet apart. By these alterations, they stated that not only would ventilation be materially improved, but that daylight would be freely admitted into the subway so as to render possible any operations therein without resorting to artificial light. In suggesting these openings over the subway, they stated they were not unmindful of an objection which had been made, on behalf of the Company, on the score of danger from a lighted match or other ignited substance falling through the grating into the subway, but, as they were of opinion that the ventilation would be sufficient to render the existence of an explosive mixture of gas in the subway impossible, they believed that no danger could arise from this source. They further stated that the cost of the work would be from £800 to £1,000. Your Committee considered it desirable that these suggestions should be carried into effect, and, as Mr. Webster is constructing, in connexion with the No. 3 Embankment Contract, a part of the subway referred to, they instructed the Engineer to obtain a tender from him for the necessary work. Your Committee have now had before them Mr. Webster's tender for the execution of the work, in accordance with a specification and plans prepared by the Engineer, amounting to the sum of £910, and having ascertained from the Engineer that the tender was a fair one, they accepted it, subject to the work being completed within three months, and gave directions for the carrying out of the work. Your Committee have now to report this fact for the information of the Board, and to request sanction to the course which they have taken.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration the accounts of Mr. Thirst, for General Works, referred by the Board on the 6th August last, (No. 12), and the 23rd December last, (No. 1). Before proceeding to report upon the general subject of these accounts, your Committee have to state that they deemed it desirable to employ an independent Surveyor to examine and report upon the accounts in respect of works executed at the Kentish Town Fire Brigade Station, and to check the measurement of such works. Mr. Joseph Gibson, of 72, Cannon-street, was the Surveyor appointed for that purpose, and your Committee have now had before them an account of his charges in the matter, amounting to £18 18s. Your Committee recommend that a Cheque be drawn in favour of Mr. Gibson for that sum.

The attention of your Committee having been directed to the unsatisfactory condition of Mr. Thirst's accounts, they requested the Chairman to see Mr. Thirst, with a view of

ascertaining what course he was prepared to adopt with regard to them. The result of that interview was, that Mr. Thirst agreed, by a letter which is annexed to this report, to submit to a reduction of one half the total amount of the accounts sent in by him, and now outstanding, to the account of the Fire Brigade. A letter, which your Committee beg also to submit, has been since received by the Chairman from Messrs. R. and C. H. Hodgson, solicitors, stating that Mr. Thirst is no longer willing to make any such reduction, and that he altogether repudiates the letter above referred to. Your Committee have carefully considered this matter, and they recommend that the Board do recognise the letter of Mr. Thirst as a binding arrangement, and that the amount therein named be paid, if it will be accepted; but if not, that the Solicitor be instructed to appear to any process which may be issued, and to report to the Committee as to the further steps to be taken.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
WM. NEWTON.

LETTERS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W., 1st February, 1870.

SIR,—Referring to the subject of our interview this morning on the Fire Brigade Accounts for work executed under the jobbing contract; and, having regard to the case pointed out by you indicating the difference in amount between the charge for the same work, whether as day work or as measured work, and, looking at the desirability of settling these amounts without dispute or litigation, I am willing to make a large sacrifice of my own interest and advantage, and to submit to a reduction of one half the total amount of the accounts sent in by me, and now outstanding to the account of the Fire Brigade.

I am, &c.,

Sir John Thwaites. (Signed) E. THIRST.

Witness, (Signed) E. Cresy.

10, Salisbury Street, Strand, London, 4th February, 1870.

SIR,—Mr. Edward Thirst's partners, Messrs. Neave and Perrott, have been with us this morning on the subject of a memorandum dated the 1st of this month, to which it would appear that Mr. Thirst's signature had been obtained at an interview which took place between him and yourself.

By this memorandum Mr. Thirst was made to express his willingness to submit to a reduction of one-half of the total amount of certain accounts sent in by him to the account of the Fire Brigade, and we beg to inform you that Mr. Thirst is no longer willing to make any reduction of the kind, and that he altogether repudiates the memorandum in question, as in any manner binding on him.

It may be needless to inform you that although Mr. Thirst, having regard to the extent of his business, holds a somewhat eminent position among contractors, he is nevertheless an illiterate person, being neither able to read nor write, excepting in the latter case signing his name merely; he had no opportunity of considering the effect of the paper your Secretary placed before him, and, as you did not even supply him with a copy, his partners were in ignorance until yesterday, when Mr. Perrott obtained a copy from your office what it was he had signed; while the gross injustice contemplated by the memorandum in question we have no hesitation in urging upon you, having been assured by both Mr. Neave and Mr. Perrott, as also by Mr. Thirst, through them, that were Mr. Thirst to accept the sum of £1,949 in satisfaction of his claim of £3,898, he would be involved in an actual loss, out of pocket, amounting to many hundred pounds.

We, therefore, insist upon payment of what may be fairly due to Mr. Thirst; we are willing, provided this be done at once, to have the quantity of work submitted to any test that may be thought necessary to establish the amount properly payable to our client, and we trust that he may not be driven to take proceedings to enforce payment of his claim.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) R. & C. H. HODGSON.

To Sir John Thwaites.

The Report having been read and received,

The Tender of Mr. Webster, referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the course taken by the Committee in accepting the tender of Mr. Webster, amounting to £910, for the work required in forming ventilators and entrances to the existing subway of the Northern Thames Embankment from

Westminster Bridge to the Eastern side of the Temple lands, in accordance with the specification and plans submitted to them, and subject to the work being completed within three months, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That a cheque for £18 18 0d. be drawn in favour of Mr. Joseph Gibson for services rendered by him in connection with an examination of the works executed by Mr. Thirst at the Kentish Town Fire Brigade Station; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do recognise, as a binding arrangement, the letter of Mr. Thirst, now submitted, proposing terms for the settlement of his accounts, and that the amount therein referred to be paid, if it will be accepted, but if not, that the Solicitor be instructed to appear to any process which may be issued, that he do report to the Committee as to the further steps to be taken, and that a cheque for the necessary amount be now drawn.

8. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, which was read as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 1st February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, viz.:—

DATE OF REFERENCE.	APPLICATION.
8 October, 1869, (No. 5.)	Mr. George Barnes and other inhabitants of the district of Kingsland, requesting the Board to direct that the line of thoroughfare commencing at the southern end of Kingsland-green, and ending, northward, at Shacklewell-lane, and known as "Kingsland," be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished, and
15 October, 1869, (No. 63.)	Mr. Charles Gautier, for the re-numbering of the houses in Kingsland-green and High-street, Kingsland.
13 November, 1868, (No. 23.)	Inhabitants of Wellington-road, Stoke Newington, and Oriel-road and Church-road, Homerton, for the re-numbering of the houses in those roads.
4 June, 1869, (No. 69.)	Mr. E. Wheeler, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-road, Stoke Newington.
2 April, 1869, (No. 73.)	Vestry of Paddington, for the re-numbering of the houses and the abolition of the subsidiary names in Bishop's-road.
2 April, 1869, (No. 72.)	Mr. R. J. Hickman, for the re-numbering of the houses in Portobello-road, Notting-hill.
29 October, 1869, (No. 58.)	Vestry of Saint Pancras, for the re-numbering of the houses in Fitzroy road and Highgate-road.
5 February, 1869, (No. 40.)	Mr. William Henshaw, for the re-numbering of the houses and the abolition of the subsidiary names in Loughborough Park-road, Brixton.
16 April, 1869, (No. 76.)	Vestry of Chelsea, requesting the Board to direct that the houses in World's End-passage be re-numbered consecutively throughout, and the subsidiary names abolished.
28 May, 1869, (No. 71.)	Mr. Thomas Lindfield, for the re-numbering of the houses in Tavistock-road, Kensington.
4 June, 1869, (No. 68.)	Greenwich District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Manor-road, Upper Lewisham-road.
9 July, 1869, (No. 65.)	Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, for the re-numbering of the houses in Johnson-street, Bostock-street, Old Gravel-lane, and Green-bank, and for re-naming Johnson-street "Chandler-street."
23 July, 1869, (No. 95.)	Vestry of Camberwell, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-road, Peckham.
24 September, 1869, (No. 107.)	Mr. Stephen Rowan, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-terrace, Moor Park-road, Fulham.

Your Committee have received reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected plans prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That High-street, Kingsland, from Dalston-lane to Shacklewell-lane on the east side, and from Ball's Pond-road to Cock and Castle-lane on the west side, be re-named Kingsland High-street, the subsidiary names abolished and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Wellington-road, Stoke Newington, be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Church-road, Homerton, be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Oriel-road, Homerton, be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Park-road, Stoke Newington, be re-named Clissold-road, and the houses re-numbered.

That the name Bishop's-road be applied to the whole of the line of thoroughfare between Harrow-road and Westbourne-grove, the subsidiary names abolished and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Portobello-road, Kensington, be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Fitzroy-road, Regent's-park, be re-numbered and the subsidiary name abolished.

That the houses in that part of the Highgate-road which lies between Kentish Town-road and Gordon House-lane, be re-numbered and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in that part of Loughborough Park-road, Brixton, marked A upon the Plan submitted to the Committee, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That that part of Loughborough Park-road marked B on the Plan submitted to the Committee, be re-named Loughborough-park, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in World's End-passage, Chelsea, be re-numbered consecutively, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Tavistock-road, Kensington, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Manor-road, Upper Lewisham-road, be re-numbered.

That Johnson-street, St. George-in-the-East, be re-named "Chandler-street," and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Bostock-street, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Old Gravel-lane, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Green-bank, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That Park-road, Peckham, be re-named Peckham Park-road, the subsidiary names abolished and the houses re-numbered.

That Park-terrace, Fulham, be re-named "Farrell-street," and the houses re-numbered.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 10th December last (No. 43), they have considered the application of Mr. H. D. Jones, for the approval by the Board of the name "Porchester Gate" for certain mansions in course of erection in Uxbridge-road, Queensborough-terrace, and Inverness-terrace. Your Committee, having inspected a plan of the sites of the houses in question, are of opinion that the houses in Queensborough-terrace and Inverness-terrace should be numbered in continuation of the numbers of the houses already existing in those terraces, and that no name should be applied to the houses in Uxbridge-road; as subsidiary names in main thoroughfares are objectionable, and are never recognised by the Board. They therefore recommend—

That Mr. H. D. Jones be informed that the houses erected by him in Queensborough-terrace, and Inverness-terrace, Bayswater, must be numbered in continuation of the numbers of the houses in those thoroughfares; and that no order be made with reference to the houses erected by him in Uxbridge-road.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
P. H. LE BRETON.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of High-street, Kingsland, in the respective Parishes of Saint Mary, Islington, and Saint John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 922, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 129, being assigned to the houses on the west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 148, to those on the east side; that such numbers do commence at the south end; that the names High-street, Kingsland-green, Bazaar-place, Railway-place, Robinson's-row, Birkbeck-terrace, Courtenay-terrace, Cambridge-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in High-street, Kingsland, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Kingsland High-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, and to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Wellington-road, in the Parish of Saint John, Hackney in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 993, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 101, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 78 to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names, Wellington-place, Sarah-cottages, Devonshire-cottages, Maria-cottages, Rose-terrace, Wiltshire-place, Andover-villas, Montpelier-villas, Montpelier-terrace, Montpelier-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Wellington-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Wellington-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Church-road, Homerton, in the Parish of Saint John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 994, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 81, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 82, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the names Park-cottages, Suffolk-cottages, Providence-cottages, Alma-place, Clyde's-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Church-road, Homerton, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Church-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Oriel-road, Homerton, in the Parish of St. John, Hackney, in

the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 995, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 75, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 34, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Alma-cottages, Matilda-terrace, Mary's-cottages, Pembroke-terrace, Godfrey's-terrace, Ovins-terrace, Oriel-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Oriel-road, Homerton, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Oriel-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney district pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Park-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Stoke Newington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 996, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 59, being assigned to the houses on the western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 80, to those on the eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Albion-road; that the names Park-road, Blomfield-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Park-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Clissold-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bigwood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bishop's-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 997, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 85, being assigned to the houses on the south side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 98, to those on the north, side; that such numbers do commence at the east end; that the names Royal Oak-terrace, Gloucester-gardens, Westbourne-place, St. Leonard's-place, Inverness-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Bishop's-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Bishop's-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Portobello-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the plan now produced, marked 998, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 373, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 380 to those on the north-east side, that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Pembridge Villas; that the names Lonsdale-place, Portobello-terrace, Vernon-terrace, All Saints'-terrace, Arunnel-terrace, Windsor-terrace, Tavistock-terrace, Bridge-terrace, Alpha-terrace, Magdala-terrace, Carnarvon-terrace, Florence-terrace, Alfred-terrace, Golden-terrace, War-

wick-terrace, Powis-terrace, Commerce-place, Lonsdale-terrace, Oxford-terrace, Pelham-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Portobello-road, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Portobello-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Fitzroy-road, in the Parish of Saint Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 999, in lieu of the existing irregular numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 31 and ending with 57, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 38 and ending with 54, to those on the north-west side; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointe this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions o the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Highgate-road which lies between Kentish Town-road and Gordon House-lane, in the Parish of Saint Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1000, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 151, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 134, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Kentish Town-road; that the names Upper Craven-place, Lower Craven-terrace, Francis-terrace, Fitzroy-place, Blenheim-terrace, Upper Fitzroy-terrace, Cottage-place, Grove-place, Green-street, Gospel-terrace, Fitzroy-terrace, Burghley-terrace, Woodland-place, Junction-place, and any other name or names now in use in the above-mentioned part of Highgate-road, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Highgate-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint Pancras pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Loughborough Park-road, (marked A on the Plan submitted to the Board,) in the Parish of Saint Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1001, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 57, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 22, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the eastern end; that the names Grosvenor-villas, Rowland-villas, and any other name or names now in use in the above-mentioned part of Loughborough Park-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Loughborough Park-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Loughborough Park-road, (marked B on the Plan submitted to the Board,) in the Parish of Saint Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1002, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 125, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 86, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the north end; that the names Loughborough Park-road, Park-cottages, Clarendon-villas, Warburton-villas, Kirton-villas, Lansdown-villas, Grafton-villas, Arlington-villas, Eaton-villas, Gloucester-cottages, Portland-villas, Loughborough-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in the above-mentioned part of Loughborough Park-road, and the exising numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Loughborough Park, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of World's End-passage, in the Parish of Saint Luke, Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers commencing with 13, and ending with 43, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1003, in lieu of the existing irregular numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the names Heathfield-terrace, Cremorne-terrace, Davies-place, and any other name or names now in use in World's End-passage, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called World's End-passage, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Chelsea, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Tavistock-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1004, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 83, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 92, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Great Western-road; that the names Tavistock-terrace, Brentwood-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Tavistock-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Tavistock-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Manor-road, in the Parish of Saint Paul, Deptford, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1005, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 103, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 116, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Upper Lewisham-road; that the existing numbers, be abolised; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Manor-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Johnson-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1006, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan, the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 13, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 12, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the name Johnson-street and any other name or names now in use in Johnson-street, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Chandler-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bostock-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1007, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 25, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 16, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Bostock-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Old Gravel-lane, in the respective Parishes of Saint George-in-the-East, and Saint John, Wapping, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1008, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 117, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 84, to those on the west side; that such numbers do

commence at the north end; that the name Skipper's Folly, and any other name or names, now in use in Old Gravel-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Old Gravel-lane, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint George-in-the-East, and the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered,** on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Green-bank, in the respective Parishes of Saint George-in-the-East, and Saint John, Wapping, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced marked 1009, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with two and ending with 38, to those on the southern side; that such numbers do commence at the western end, that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Green-bank, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, and the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed**, and **ordered,** on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Park-road, Peckham, in the Parish of St. Giles, Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1010, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 189, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 148, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Old Kent-road; that the names Park-road, Charles-place, Mary's-place, Leah-cottages, Nile-terrace, Cambridge-terrace, Lebanon-place, Sutherland-terrace, Eagle-place, Trafalgar-place, Clyde-cottages, Gloucester-cottages, Gloucester-place, Park-villas, Henry's-cottages, Villa-place, William-cottages, Maismore-place, Park-terrace, George-terrace, Edwin-place, and any other name or names now in use in Park-road, Peckham, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Peckham Park-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered,** on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Park-terrace, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1011, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 13, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 14, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Harwood-road; that the name Park-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Park-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Farrell-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the application of Mr. H. D. Jones, for the approval by the Board of the name "Porchester Gate," for certain mansions in course of erection in Uxbridge-road, Queensborough-terrace, and Inverness-terrace, be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to him.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th February, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
ROTHERHITHE.				
East London Railway from the rear of Adam-street to Berkeley-street (Sewer diversion .. ..)	350	18 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
HACKNEY.				
Intended road, Sidney-road, Homerton	250 840	15 inch. 12 ,,	Pipe. ,,	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th February, 1870, on an application from the Vestry of Hampstead for permission to stop up the portion of Willow-walk between Christchurch-road and Flask-walk for the period of one month, for the purpose of executing sewerage works, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the portion of Willow-walk referred to, by the Vestry of Hampstead, for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, for a period o one month, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th February, 1870, on a letter from Mr. T. Thresher, applying for payment of £4 18s. for the repair of the side wall of his house, Trafalgar-street, Hammersmith alleged to have been damaged in the execution of the Western Sewerage Works; stating that about four years since the Board had the claim under consideration, and had then declined to admit their liability, and recommending that that decision be adhered to.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th February, 1870, on a letter from Sir Edward Watkin, requesting the sanction of the Board to a proposed alteration of a portion of the crown of the Southern Outfall Sewer for the purposes of the South-Eastern Railway Company's intended line at Greenwich; stating that he could not recommend the Board to sanction an interference, however slight, with the sewer in question.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Sir Edward Watkin.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th February, 1870, on a letter from Mr. S. D. Clippingdale, Ratcliff-cross, complaining of the flooding of his premises from certain sewerage works, and stating that from the 10th ultimo he should hold the Board responsible for any loss he might sustain; stating that the works referred to were the requisite alterations to the Ratcliff Highway Sewer Outlet consequent upon the diversion of its sewage from the river, that they were now complete, and that no further flooding could occur, nor had any occurred since the receipt of the complaint.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 11th February, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Reed, Clerk to the Woolwich Local Board of Health, with reference to the drainage of North Woolwich; recommending that the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

15. The Solicitor reported that the undermentioned Bills had been brought into the House of Commons, and that he understood they were intended to be proceeded with there, viz.—

Gas Light and Coke Company.
Metropolitan Street Tramways.
Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways.
Great Northern Railway.
London, Blackwall, and Millwall Extension Railway.
Metropolitan Railway.
Metropolitan District Railway.
Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway.
North London Tramways.
Thames Embankment, North.
Great Eastern Railway (Metropolitan Railway and East London Railway).

16. The Solicitor stated that Lord Redesdale had drawn attention last night in the House of Lords to the several Tramway Bills, and he laid before the Board an extract from the "*Times*" of the proceedings in that House on the subject.

17. The Solicitor reported that Lord Robert Montagu had, on Wednesday last, in the House of Commons, asked the Vice-President of the Committee of Council on Education, whether the Government had determined that there should be a Foreign Cattle Market in the Metropolis, in accordance with the wishes which were urged during the last Session, and whether a site had been fixed upon; and that the Vice-President had replied to the effect that the Act of last Session empowered the Corporation of the City of London to make the market, that the Government had been in communication with the Corporation on the subject, and that he expected to receive the decision of that Body in the course of a few days.

18. The Solicitor also reported that it appeared from the Business Paper of the House of Commons that Captain Grosvenor, M.P., would this evening ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether the Lords of the Treasury concurred in so much of the 47th Report of the Commissioners of Woods, &c., presented to Parliament on the 29th June last, as recommends building upon property belonging to Her Majesty upon the Thames Embankment to the extent of 2 acres, 2 roods, 19 poles, or whether arrangements would be made to deal with that portion of the Crown property in the same manner as the remainder of the site acquired by this Board was dealt with in the Thames Embankment Act, namely, by setting apart in perpetuity for purposes of public recreation.

19. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Cowper-Temple, M.P., had given notice to introduce a Bill to provide for the improvement, protection, and Management of Commons and Waste Lands near Cities and Towns in England.

20. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Fawcett, M.P., had given Notice of motion for an address to Her Majesty, praying Her to defend the rights of the Crown over Epping Forest, so that the Forest may be preserved as an open space for the recreation and enjoyment of the public.

21. The Solicitor also reported that Sir Massey Lopes, M.P., had given notice of his intention to call the attention of the House of Commons to the injustice, inequalities, and anomalies of the present Poor Rate Assessment, and the incidence of other local burdens.

22. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Peek, M.P., had given notice of his intention to call the attention of the House of Commons to the question of the Toll on Chelsea Bridge, and to move a resolution thereon.

23. The Solicitor reported that the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, was before the Rolls Court this day.

24. The Solicitor also reported that the Bill, with reference to the viaduct roadway on the Thames Embankment, North, had been read a first time in the House of Commons last evening, and ordered to be read a second time.

25. Read a Report as follows—

BUILDING LEASES—STAMP DUTIES.

In a recent appeal to the Court of Exchequer from the decision of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in the matter of a lease for 99 years to a Mr. Boulton, of certain houses at Hornsey, the Court held that the lease, containing a covenant to complete the houses, was granted upon a further or other valuable consideration within the meaning of the 16th Section of 17 and 18 Vic. Cap. 83, and was liable therefore not merely to the ordinary *ad valorem* rent duty, but likewise to a further impress stamp of 35s. in consideration of the Covenant to complete. This decision renders it necessary whenever there is a consideration for a Lease extra, the rent reserved, and the ordinary Lessees Covenants in an occupation Lease that the additional 35s. stamp should be impressed.

The Commissioners of Inland Revenue have intimated that no penalty will be imposed on the re-stamping of Leases, which have been shown by this decision to be insufficiently stamped, provided there is no unreasonable delay in the application, and I find that several of the Board's Fire Brigade Leases will require re-stamping accordingly.

Perhaps the Board will refer this subject to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and to act on any resolution they may arrive at.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Notice from Mr. Richard Stone, dated 5th February, 1870, claiming compensation for alleged damage to his property in Plough-terrace, Rotherhithe, by the Board's sewerage works.

Resolved—That the said Notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any Resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

27. The Solicitor laid before the Board a writ in an action commenced against them by Mr. Chippindale and others, as Trustees of Amias's Charity, for compensation in respect of property in Old Street, St. Luke's.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do enter an appearance to the said writ, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the previous references.

28. The Solicitor reported that it had been arranged in the Court of Queen's Bench yesterday with reference to the case of Wing *v.* the Board, that an Order of Nisi Prius be drawn up, as follows—

WING *v.* METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

Verdict for Plaintiff, 40s., damages if verdict ought to be entered for the plaintiff. Reference to C. E. Pollock, Esq., who may have power at any stage to call in Surveyor—to state a special case raising any point of law desired by either party to be raised for opinion of Court, with power to draw inferences where not found at such stage as he thinks fit. In case of need, reference back to arbitrator, after decision of points of law, to determine what, if anything, to be done in future to give either party rights claimed to which they respectively are held to be entitled under the Act—usual terms—all certificates necessary—power to enter verdict for defendants. In event of any dispute as to terms of order of reference, or necessity of fresh terms for carrying into effect object of reference, question to be referred to Solicitor-General and Sir John Karslake, or, if they differ, to Judge.

29. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 11th February, 1870.

Petroleum Acts, 1862 and 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying Schedule there are ten applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of four calendar months and seventeen days from the 11th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	quantities to be kept in gallons.	Storage.
CHELSEA	Whittick, Hy.	12,651	11, Ormond Row, Queen's Road West	5	Yard P. d.
GREENWICH	Tugwell, Wm. Hy.	13,060	3, Lewisham Road	1	Shop btls.
LEWISHAM	Woolven, Geo.	14,761	15, Kent Terrace, Lower Sydenham	4	Stable P.d.
POPLAR	Kernot, Geo. Chas.	13,469	6, Chrisp Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	,,	,,	5, Suffolk Terrace, Upper North Street	1	,, ,,
ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST	Tucker, J.	14,744	27, St. George Street	10	Yard P. d.
ST. MARYLEBONE	Adlington, W. B.	14,747	1A, Weymouth Street, Portland Place	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Cleaver, Edwd.	14,756	63, Oxford Street	4	,, ,,
SHOREDITCH	Bovey, Saml.	14,741	56, New North Road	5	Yard P. d.
WANDSWORTH	Saxby, Robt.	14,737	4, Bromell's Buildings, Clapham	5	Shed ,,

The several licenses, referred to in the foregoing resolution, were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. Mr. Legg handed in a letter, which was read, as follows—

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.
Vestry Offices, Maltby-street, S.E., 10th February, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—Pursuant to a Resolution of the Vestry, I forward you an Extract from their Minutes on the subject of the purchase of the Water Companies by your Honourable Board.

I am, &c.
(Signed) J. I. RICHES,
Assistant-Clerk.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Extract from the Minutes of the Bermondsey Vestry, 7th February, 1870.
Mr. S. Priter (Sidesman) in the Chair.

RESOLVED—That, in the opinion of this Vestry, a constant supply of water is necessary for the use of the Metropolis, and ought to be obtained.

That it is inexpedient, in the opinion of this Vestry, to confer powers on the Metropolitan Board of Works to take the supply of water into their hands by purchasing the Water Companies, this Vestry believing that such an arrangement would increase the cost of supply, and add materially to the taxation of the Metropolis.

Extracted and examined,
(Signed) J. I. RICHES,
Assistant-Clerk.

31. The Clerk presented a letter from Colonel Henderson, Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, dated 4th February, 1870, with copy of a letter addressed by him to the President of the Poor Law Board, enclosing a Memorial from the inhabitants of the East Park Estate, Lower Kennington Lane, Lambeth, urging the importance of continuing Renfrew Road into Brook Street; and asking the Board to support the prayer of the Memorialists.

Resolved—That the communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

32. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. William Astrop, dated 3rd February, 1870, stating that he is able to dry and pulverise the solid Sewage of Towns for the purposes of manure, and offering to wait upon the Board to explain the process.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

33. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. R. Alexander Smith, Vestry Clerk of Richmond dated 5th February, 1870, with copies of Reports of a Committee of the Vestry, appointed, in consequence of the failure of water at the late fire at the Star and Garter Hotel, to consider the question of the Water Supply of Richmond, and suggesting that in any measure which may be introduced into Parliament relative to the Water supply of the Metropolis, clauses should be inserted requiring Water Companies to afford a constant supply to all places actually supplied by them, although such places may not be within the limits of supply defined by their Acts.

34. The Clerk presented a communication from Mr. J. Lydford, on behalf of himself and others, dated 5th February, 1870, calling attention to the condition of Victoria-road, Cemetery-road, Peckham.

Resolved—That a copy of the said communication be sent to the Local Board, and that Mr. Lydford be so informed, and that this Board have no power to interfere in the matter.

35. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. O. Symons, dated 8th February, 1870, stating that the erection, by Mrs. Taylor, of shops on the forecourts of Nos. 121 and 123, King's-road, Chelsea, would be commenced on the 15th instant, and that the railings and fence to the space of ground to be given up to the public use will be removed on the 9th instant.

Resolved—That the time limited by the Order of the Board of the 10th December last (No. 27) for giving up the space of ground in question be extended for a further period of two calendar months from this date.

36. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. Woodthorpe, Town Clerk, Guildhall, dated 6th February, 1870, stating that the Gas Referees having withdrawn their certificates from the several Gas Testing Stations in the City of London, no Gas Testings could be made, and enclosing copies of the orders of the Referees, and stating that so soon as the new certificates were received, copies of the Reports of the Gas Examiners would be furnished to the Board as heretofore.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

37. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 7th February, 1870, stating that an improvement by the widening of the upper end of Church-street, Chelsea, as shown on the Plan accompanying his letter, was much needed; and requesting the Board to take up the subject as a Metropolitan Improvement.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report.

38. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Henry Houlston, submitting for the consideration of the Board the probability of a Ship Canal from the vicinity of Blackwall to Portsmouth, if completed efficiently, being valuable for the purpose of improving the commercial position of London.

39. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Edward Wilds, Clerk to the Vauxhall Bridge Company, dated 8th February, 1870, calling attention to the present incomplete condition of certain roads and works, under the management and authority of this Board, in and near various thoroughfare approaches to Vauxhall Bridge, and which the Company allege to have occasioned a diminution of the tolls of the Bridge; and requesting to be informed when the works in Abingdon-street and Millbank-road will be completed.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for report.

40. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles L. Eastlake, Assistant Secretary to the Royal Institute of British Architects, stating that they had granted Certificates of Competency to Messrs. Daniel R. Dale, B. Fletcher, J. W. Forge, H. Gundy, and J. G. Turner, to perform the duties of District Surveyor.

41. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Treasury Chambers, 10th February, 1870.

Gentlemen—I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to convey to you their Lordships' approval of the arrangements specified in your letter of the 29th

ultimo, with respect to the Consolidated Loans Fund of the Metropolis for the current year in accordance with the provisions of the Act 32, 33, Vic. c. 102, secs. 27, 28.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) WILLIAM LAW.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

42. The Clerk reported that the existing Contract for the Stationery, &c., required by the Board, would expire on the 2nd of April next, and that several alterations were necessary in the present specification of articles.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

43. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th January, 1870, on the application of Messrs. William Berriman and Son, on behalf of the Trustees of Drummond-road Chapel, for the consent of the Board to the erection of schools in Banyard Yard, Drummond-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage line of the proposed building be kept back to the line of the private houses and warehouse adjoining, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. T. Watson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a verandah, porch, and verge boards to a detached house in Bushey Hill-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

45. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Goddard, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front to a house situate at the corner of Lewisham-road and Tanner's Hill, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the application be not granted.

46. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Stevens, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition, in front of an existing building, in Elder-lane, Gipsy House-road, Lower Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Hugh Thomas Eastman, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to a detached house at the corner of Anerley Park and Castledine-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

48. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th February, 1870, on a communication from the Vestry, calling attention to the resolution of the Board sanctioning the erection of porticoes with enclosed sides to houses in Green-street, Park-lane, and Upper Brook-street, and requesting to be informed upon what grounds the Board sanctioned the erections referred to.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Report be received, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Vestry.

49. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Gaudet, Brothers, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an enclosed iron balcony, at their premises in Lower East Smithfield, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the application be not granted.

50. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Spiers and Pond, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a temporary bottle shed at the rear of the Restaurant, Ludgate-hill Station, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

51. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Mansfield, Price, and Co., on behalf of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 16th October, 1868, (No. 40), for the use of a temporary shed in High-street, Kingsland; and for permission to erect an additional building, as shown, and marked "A," upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the application be granted, and that the shed and the proposed new building be permitted to remain for a further period of six calendar months from this date.

52. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Price, on behalf of Mr. Prust, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft in Duncan-road, Sheep-lane, London-fields.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

53. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Nicholls, on behalf of Messrs. Hemming and Co., for the consent of the Board to the construction of a temporary iron school in Abbey-place, Bow, as shown upon the drawing accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that iron braces $2'' \times 2'' \times \frac{1}{4}''$ be used in each bay, as shown by red lines on the drawing, and that the building be put together to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

54. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Samuel Bamford, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of seven new roads on Minet's Estate, and of the names "Paulet-road," and "Harold," "Penford," "Templar," "Upstall," "Welby," and "Inglis" Streets, for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

55. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. L. Gruneison, on behalf of the United Land Company, Limited, for the approval by the Board of the levels of a road, known as Strode-road, leading out of an old narrow lane from Parson's Green to Hammersmith, as shown upon the drawing accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

56. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Goodman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead from Church-road into Sidney-road, and of the name "Hasset-road" for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

57. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th February, 1870, stating that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, by setting back the houses Nos. 94 and 95, Fenchurch-street, towards which the Board, on the 19th October, 1866, (No. 5), agreed to contribute the sum of £942, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Commissioners were now entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to the payment of the amount.

58. Read a communication from Mr. John Young, Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, dated 7th February, 1870, notifying that the premises, Nos. 109 and 112, Houndsditch, were about to be rebuilt under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—**Whereas**, Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, did, on the 7th day of February, 1870, give notice to this Board that he the said John Young was engaged to act professionally in respect of the rebuilding of the premises, Nos. 109 and 112, Houndsditch, within the district aforesaid; and the said John Young has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edmund Woodthorpe is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

59. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th February, 1870, on a letter from Mr. George Brown, complaining of the erection of a covered way leading from a building known as "St. Peter's Home," or the new Convalescent Hospital, to the pavement in Mortimer-road, St. John's-wood.

Resolved—That the attention of the Vestry of Hampstead be called to the complaint, and that they be requested to take the necessary steps in the matter.

60. St. Olave, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edard, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron shed at his premises in Morgan's-lane, Tooley-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shed be constructed of iron columns, 4 inches in diameter, tie rods, $\frac{7}{8}$" in diameter, and King and Queen rods and diagonal braces, $\frac{3}{4}$" in diameter, as shown on the drawings, and that the roof be covered with corrugated iron.

61. It was **moved** by Mr. Savage, and seconded—That the consideration of the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until the meeting of the Board on Friday next, and that it be taken at one o'clock on that day.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded—That the consideration of the said Report be adjourned until the meeting of the Board on Friday next.

The **amendment**, having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 18th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 7.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **18th** day of **February**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Francis Healey, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
Thomas John White, Esq.	Thomas Turner, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	
	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	
	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	

1. Previously to the doors being opened to the public, the Chairman called the attention of the Board to the subject of the present position in the Market of their Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and suggested the desirability of the question as to the Transfer Stamp Duty thereon being referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Committee be authorised to communicate with the Government and others on the subject.

2. At this stage of the proceedings the public were admitted.

3. The Clerk reported that in consequence of the unusual length of the Minutes of the 11th instant, and of several errors having been discovered therein, they could not be completed in sufficient time to enable them to be signed this day.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the Minutes in question be signed at the next meeting of the Board.

4. Mr. Richardson informed the Board that a Deputation from the promoters of the London Street Tramways Bill, who were in attendance, desired to address the Board on the subject of the Bill, but that no Member had arranged to introduce them, and that they were not provided with a Memorial.

A letter, dated 10th February, 1870, which had been addressed by the Clerk to Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co., the Solicitors to the promoters of the Bill, acquainting them that the Bye-law of the Board required that a Deputation should be introduced by a Member of the Board, and should be provided with a Memorial setting forth the object of their attendance was read, and the Bye-law referred to having also been read,

It was moved by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—That the Board do proceed to the next business on the Paper.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That the Bye-law as to the reception of Deputations be suspended, and that the said Deputation be now received.

After discussion, Mr. Legg, by leave of the Board, withdrew his **amendment.**

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Thompson, and seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the Parliamentary Committee be authorised to receive the proposed Deputation.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

5. The Chairman stated that in accordance with the request conveyed to him by the resolution of the Board on the 4th instant (No. 20), he had had an interview with the Secretary of State for the Home Department, and had handed him a copy of their resolution passed on that day on the subject of the Water Supply of the Metropolis, and that the Board would in due course receive the reply of the Home Secretary in writing.

6. Read the following communication.—

Parish of St. George, Hanover Square,
Board Room, Mount Street, London, W., 17th February, 1870.

DEAR SIR—By direction, I herewith forward you copy of a Resolution of the Vestry of this Parish passed to-day, with reference to the various Tramway Schemes now before Parliament.

Please read the Resolution to the Metropolitan Board at your earliest convenience.

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) J. H. SMITH, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Parish of St. George, Hanover Square.
At a Meeting of the Vestry duly assembled on Thursday, 17th February, 1870.
Present—The Rev. H. Howarth, B.D., Rector, in the Chair, &c., &c.

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY—That the Vestry deeming it highly inexpedient to place any portion of the public highway out of the control of the public authority, urge upon the Metropolitan Board of Works,

1st: The importance of not permitting the command of the public highways to pass permanently into the hands of any private company.

2nd: In order to prevent such a result, the propriety of inserting in every Bill for promoting a Tramway, clauses authorising the future purchase of such Tramway by the Municipality.

(Signed) J. H. SMITH, Vestry Clerk.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

7. Read the following communication—

Saint Mary, Islington,
Vestry Offices, Upper Street, N., February 17th, 1870.

DEAR SIR—I beg to enclose you a copy of the recommendations of this Vestry with reference to the abolishing of the names and re-numbering of houses in Coleman Street, Linton Street, Dame Street, Pulteney Terrace, and Gainsford Street, in this Parish.

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) JOHN LAYTON, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works.

Saint Mary, Islington, 4th February, 1870.

Extract from Minutes of Vestry.

I. RESOLVED—That it be recommended to the Metropolitan Board of Works that the name "Hope Terrace," Coleman Street, New North Road, be abolished, and the houses incorporated with Coleman Street, and numbered in continuation thereof.

II. That the name "Linton Stret, South," and "Linton Villas," be abolished, the houses therein incorporated with Linton Street and the whole street alternately re-numbered from New North Road to Dame Street.

III. That so much of "Pulteney Terrace," Barnsbury, as is in Gainsford Street, be incorporated therewith, and Gainsford Street re-numbered.

(Signed) JOHN LAYTON, Vestry Clerk.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the said communication be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

8. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 14th February, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Whitechapel Improvement.		
Lloyd, J. H.—		
Counsel's Fees, *re* Manus		63 2 6
Kensington Improvement.		
Metcalfe, W. J.—		
Counsel's Fees, *re* "Duke of Sussex" P. H.	20 8 0	
Jacobs, I.—		
Witness's Charges, *re* Wood	20 0 0	
		40 8 0
Stingo Lane Improvement.		
Re Macnallay—		
Walker, W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	5 5 0	
Sladen, St. Barbe—		
Costs of Mr. Marrable's Award, *re* Deacon, as per order of Committee, 7th February, 1870	72 10 0	
Lloyd, J. H.—		
Counsel's Fees, *re* Johnson and Deacon	64 0 6	
Cooke, J. and J. W.—		
Shorthand Notes, *re* Johnson and Deacon	1 1 0	
Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited—		
Hire of Rooms for Arbitration, &c.	6 6 6	
		149 3 0
Thames Embankment, North.		
Hawkins, H., Q.C.—		
Counsel's Fees—January to November, 1869	364 14 6	
Clark and Wilton—		
Witnesses' Charges, *re* Ritson	4 4 0	
Hodges and Son—		
Shorthand Notes *re* Ritson	3 18 0	
Cooke, J. and J. W.—		
Shorthand Notes, June to December, 1869	40 10 6	
Philbrick, F. A.—		
Counsel's Fees, November, 1869	58 15 6	
Biron, R. J.—		
Counsel's Fees, *re* McCarthy	24 13 0	
		496 15 6
Southern Embankment.		
Hensman, Frederick—		
Witness's Charges, *re* Stiff	18 18 0	
Goodchild, J.—		
Witness's Charges, *re* Doulton and Stiff	21 0 0	
Carried forward	£39 18 0	749 9 0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	39	18	0	749	9	0
Olyett, Edward—						
Witness's Charges, *re* Doulton and Stiff	31	10	0			
Goodwin, Lushington—						
Witness's Charges, *re* Doulton and Stiff	55	15	0			
Whellock, William—						
Witness's Charges, *re* Stiff	52	10	0			
Woolfe, Thomas—						
Witness's Charges *re* Stiff	15	15	0			
Maples, Henry P.—						
Witness's Charges—						
Re Stiff .. £45 3 0						
„ Doulton .. 22 1 0						
	67	4	0			
				262	12	0

Mansion House Street.

Re Corporation of London—						
Nelson, T. J.—Taxed Costs of Investments in Land—						
Under Order of 18th January, 1868 .. £183 16 8						
„ „ 21st November, „ .. 302 12 5						
	486	9	1			
Re Sercombe's Trustees—						
Reece, R. M.—Taxed Costs of Investment, under Order of 25th July, 1868	198	19	8			
				685	8	9
				£1,697	9	9

Your Committee have also to report that they have cancelled the undermentioned cheque, the amount being included in the larger one now drawn, and contained in the foregoing list—

Whitechapel Improvement, No. 564.—Lloyd, J. H.—Counsel's Fees, *re* Manus, £36 2s.

Your Committee, under the authority given them by your resolution of the 5th October, 1866, (No. 16), are proceeding with the acquisition of the properties required for the roadway from Plumstead to the Crossness Pumping Station, and it has now become necessary to make the undermentioned payments—

Metropolis Main Drainage.

Re Chapman—	£	s.	d.
The Hon. and Rev. W. J. Broderick, Viscount Middleton, and W. G. Chapman—Purchase Money of Freehold Strip of Land at Plumstead for Crossness Roadway	175	0	0
Allen—Surveyor's Fee..	7	7	0
Haywards & Co.—Solicitors' Costs of Title and Conveyance	16	6	8
	£198	13	8

Your Committee beg to recommend that cheques for the several amounts be drawn on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account.

Your Committee have also had before them an account of Mr. Currey's charges for his award, amounting to £52 10s. 0d., in the claim of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, in respect of injury to Nos. 10 and 11, Whitehall-place, through the works executed by the Board for the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway Company, in connexion with the diversion of the Victoria and Regent-street sewers. Your Committee beg to recommend that a cheque for £52 10s. 0d. be drawn in favour of Mr. Currey, on the General Account of the Board.

In compliance with your resolution of the 21st ultimo (No. 24), your Committee have considered the Engineer's report on a letter from the Vestry of Hampstead, requesting the Board to extend the Main Sewer in the Edgware-road, Kilburn, for a length of about 850 feet, to receive the drainage of the British Land Company's estate, and of the adjoining lands where laid out for building. The Board's Main Sewer referred to extends to a point where it takes the valley drainage on the west side of the Edgware-road, which has always been considered the termination of the main line. Your Committee are not prepared to recommend a compliance with the request, as they concur in the view taken by the Engineer, that the persons interested in building operations in the locality should construct the requisite sewer at their own cost. The Board have also, on former occasions, felt bound to refuse compliance with similar applications. Your Committee recommend that the Vestry of Hampstead be informed, in reply to their letter, that the Board regret that they cannot comply with the request.

Your Committee have proceeded on your resolution of the 28th ultimo (No. 29), referring to them the subject of the illness of Mr. Holland, Record Room Keeper, and the necessary steps to be taken. The very unfavourable character of the medical certificate presented to the Board on the above date, to the effect that Mr. Holland was suffering from commencing fatty degeneration of the heart and blood vessels of the brain, in addition to serious derangement of his nervous system generally, makes it appear probable that Mr. Holland's illness will be, at any rate, of long duration, and, in fact, that he will never again be able to resume his duties. Under the circumstances, your Committee have thought it better to lose no time in appointing some one to undertake his duties, and, from the information laid before them, it appears that Mr. Charles Dickins, Fourth-Class Clerk in the Engineer's Department, is well qualified for the post. Mr. Dickins has been in the service of the Board since November, 1861, and has the character of being a steady, careful, and industrious officer. He attained the maximum salary of his class, £100 per annum, at Christmas, 1868; therefore, the recommendation which your Committee propose to make will not involve any immediate increase. Your Committee recommend—

> That Mr. Charles Dickins be appointed to undertake the duties hitherto discharged by Mr. Holland, as Record Room Keeper, and that he be placed in the Third Class of Officers, at the minimum salary of that class, viz., £100 per annum.

Your Committee reserve for a future report the question of the course to be taken with regard to Mr. Holland.

Your Committee have further to report that they have again considered the subject of the letter from Mr. Haywood, stating that the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London are prepared to accept the Board's terms of £5,250 for the slip of ground proposed to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, and asking whether the Board will grant their usual contribution, referred back by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 3). At the time of making their former report, your Committee had not had the advantage of hearing the opinions of the Members representing the City of London at this Board, and, from the information then before them, your Committee did not feel justified in recommending the Board to contribute towards the cost of the proposed improvement. Since that date, however, they have been favoured with explanations by the Members in question, which place the matter in a somewhat different light, and have induced your Committee to modify the resolution previously come to. At the same time, having regard to all the circumstances, they are of opinion that the case will be met by a contribution of £1,250, and they beg to recommend the Board to contribute that sum, and that it be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

With regard to the subject of the proposed improvement in Queen-street also referred back by the Board on the 4th instant, your Committee, after a careful re-consideration of the facts, have now to recommend that the Commissioners of Sewers be informed that the Board are not at present prepared to comply with their request that the Board will co-operate with them in carrying out the improvement.

Your Committee have also re-considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers requesting the Board to contribute towards the cost of an improvement to be effected by the removal of the Church of Saint Mildred, Poultry, and the addition of a portion of the site to

the public way. A further investigation of the subject has only confirmed your Committee in the opinion already entertained with respect to thevaluable character of this improvement and they have consequently simply to repeat the recommendation already submitted, viz :—

> That the Board do contribute one-half the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed £2,000, and that it be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers on a certificate from the Board's Architect of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have further to report that they have re-considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, requesting the Board to contribute to an improvement effected by setting back Nos. 49 and 50, Threadneedle-street, at a cost of £13,982, independent of all legal and surveying charges, referred back on the 4th instant (No. 3). In their former report, your Committee stated that they were not prepared to recommend the Board to contribute to the cost of this improvement but, in addition, from the further information laid before them, it appears to your Committee that a compliance with the request of the Commissioners would be an infringement of the Standing Order of the Board of the 6th December, 1867, (No. 23), when the Board resolved not to entertain in future any application for a contribution to the cost of a local improvement unless the improvement should have been submitted to them before being carried out. Under these circumstances, they consider that the application cannot be entertained and they recommend that a communication to the foregoing effect be addressed to the Commissioners.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, calling attention to the position and state of the bridge which crosses the Grand Junction Canal in Plough-lane, Kensal New Town, and of the approach roads to it, and urging the Board to take the subject in hand, with the view of effecting an improvement; referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 35). It is represented that the bridge in question is narrow, steep, and dangerous, and totally unsuited to the present and largely increasing traffic at that part. It is situated in the parish of Kensington, but is at the junction of the three parishes of Kensington, Chelsea, and Willesden, and the roads of approach to it are in each of those parishes. The Vestry of Chelsea, thinking that the re-building of the Plough Tavern and consequent widening of Plough-lane afford a favourable opportunity for also widening the bridge, have, it appears, been in communication with the Vestry of Kensington in the endeavour to effect some improvement there, but the Vestry of Kensington declined to take any steps in the matter at present. Under these circumstances, the Chelsea Vestry appeal to the Board to take the subject in hand as a Metropolitan Improvement. Doubtless the widening of the bridge would effect a very desirable improvement, as the population of the neighbourhood is rapidly increasing and the locality is the scene of extensive building operations. At the same time, your Committee consider that the improvement can scarcely be looked upon as one of a Metropolitan character, but rather that the benefit to be derived from it would be confined in a great measure to the particular locality. Your Committee beg to recommend—

> That the Vestry of Chelsea be informed, in reply to their letter urging the Board to improve the bridge and the approach roads to it, that, as the Vestry are not prepared to contribute towards the improvement, the Board cannot entertain the request.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
CYRUS LEGG,
J. O. HALL,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the following Cheques be now drawn, viz.—

Metropolis Main Drainage.

	£	s.	d.
Re Chapman—			
The Hon. and Rev. W. J. Broderick, Viscount Middleton, and W. G. Chapman—Purchase-money of Freehold strips of Land at Plumstead, for Crossness Roadway..	175	0	0
Allen—Surveyor's Fee	7	7	0
Haywards and Co.—Solicitors' Costs of Title and Conveyance	16	6	8
	£198	13	8

General Account.

Currey, Henry—			
Re Waterloo and Whitehall Railway Company—Costs of Award in respect of Nos. 10 and 11, Whitehall-place	£52	10	0

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Vestry of Hampstead be informed, in reply to their letter requesting an extension of the Main Sewer in Edgware Road, Kilburn, for the purpose of draining the British Land Company's Estate, that the Board regret that they cannot comply with the request.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That Mr. Charles Dickins, Fourth-Class Assistant in the Engineer's Department, be appointed to undertake the duties lately discharged by Mr. Thomas Holland as Record Room Keeper, and that Mr. Dickins be placed in the Third-Class of Officers at the minimum salary of that Class, namely, £100 per annum.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the course to be adopted with reference to Mr. Thomas Holland, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the Board do contribute the sum of £1,250 towards the cost of the slip of ground in Upper Thames-street, proposed to be purchased from the Board by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London for the sum of £5,250, and to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, and that such contribution be paid to the Commissioners on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London be informed, in reply to their Memorial asking the Board to co-operate with them in setting back the premises Nos. 79, 81, and 82, Queen-street, to the line already adopted, that the Board are not prepared at present to comply with their request.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Saunders—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of an improvement proposed to be effected by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, by the removal of the Church of St. Mildred, Poultry, and by throwing a portion of the site into the public way, at a cost of £4,000, independent of professional expenses; such contribution not to exceed the sum of £2,000, and that it be paid to the Commissioners on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London be informed, in reply to their Memorial requesting the Board to contribute to an improvement effected by them by setting back the premises Nos. 49 and 50, Threadneedle-street, at a cost of £13,982, independent of legal and surveying costs, that, the improvement not having been submitted to the Board before being carried out, in accordance with their Standing Order of the 6th December, 1867, (No. 23), the Board are unable to entertain the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Vestry of Chelsea be informed, in reply to their letter urging the Board to improve the bridge which crosses the Grand Junction Canal in Plough-lane, Kensal New-town, and the approach roads to it, that, as the Vestry are not prepared to contribute towards the improvement, the Board cannot entertain the application.

9. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-Class Firemen John Foster, Richard Waller, James Ford, Junr, and John Littlefield, have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted. Your Committee beg also to recommend that James S. S. Harris and William Dowell, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, to fill vacancies.

On the 7th January last, the Board, on the recommendation of the Works and General Purposes Committee, decided to appropriate the Plot numbered 15 on the plan of the Kensington Improvement, for the purposes of a Fire Brigade Station. Your Committee have twice inspected the locality with a view to determine whether the piece of ground in question was suitable for the purpose, and, after conference with the Chief-Officer as to his requirements, and with the Surveyor as to the adaptation of the ground, your Committee have arrived at the conclusion that Plot 15 is not the most suitable that could be selected as a site for a Station. It appears to them that Plots 62 and 63, which were let to Mr. Broadbridge, at a ground rent of £37, are better adapted for the purpose. Your Committee requested the Superintending Architect to ascertain from Mr. Broadbridge whether he would be willing to surrender Plots 62 and 63 to the Board, taking Plot 15 in exchange and paying an additional rent of £10 for the same. Mr. Broadbridge has expressed his willingness to do this, and your Committee have accordingly determined to place the Station on plots 62 and 63. This will be more convenient for the Brigade, and the Board will receive £10 a year more rent than if the Station were erected on plot 15. Your Committee hope that this arrangement will meet with the approval of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
JOHN SAVAGE,
WM. H. LAMMIN,
E. J. THOMPSON,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of Fourth-Class Firemen John Foster, Richard Waller, James Ford, Jun., and John Littlefield, be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That James S. S. Harris and William Dowell be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen in the Brigade.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Savage—That so much of the Report as relates to the Fire Brigade Station at Kensington be approved.

10. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th February, 1870.

In pursuance of the Order of the Board of the 4th instant (No. 26), your Committee have considered the application of Mr. Robert Hesketh, on behalf of Lord Portman, for the consent of the Board to the bringing out of the front of Brunswick Chapel, Upper Berkeley Street, as shown upon the plan accompanying the application, and they now report that they have received verbal explanations from Mr. Hesketh, and that they have had before them the several parties interested in the matter. They find that the occupants of the house adjoining

the chapel on either side have signed a consent to the proposed projection; other occupiers in the street, however, object to the alteration, and the Vestry of Saint Marylebone have also expressed by resolution, as well as by their Vestry Clerk, Mr. Greenwell, who attended your Committee, their opinion that the projection would be objectionable; and your Committee, having carefully considered the matter, have arrived at the conclusion that the application should not be granted, and they recommend accordingly.

The Board having, on the 14th instant (No. 14), referred to your Committee the question of the appointment of a District Surveyor for the District of Lewisham, consequent on the decease of Mr. Charles Robert Badger, with an instruction to consider and report as to the desirability of dividing the District or making other alterations therein, they have now to report that they find that the Lewisham District comprehends the entire parish of Lewisham, much of which is still rural, the land being under cultivation, but that its importance, in connection with the Building Act, has much increased since the Crystal Palace was erected at Sydenham, and three railways constructed through the parish. Your Committee further find, from the Returns for the District for the three years ending 1868, that there has been an average number of 558 surveys made each year, producing an average income from the fees received, of £1,026. They have also had before them a plan of the District, by which it appears that a very convenient arrangement might be made by forming two districts, the one to comprise the village of Lewisham and a considerable portion of rural land adjacent; the other to take the village of Sydenham and a proportionate extent of land not yet laid out for building purposes. Your Committee beg to submit the plan in question, for the information of your Honourable Board, and, having carefully considered the question referred to them, they recommend—

> That the present District under the Metropolitan Building Act, known as the Lewisham District, be divided into two districts, to be called respectively Lewisham and Sydenham Districts; that the Lewisham District do contain that part of the Parish of Lewisham lying north of a line drawn along the centre of Forest Hill Road and along the eastern side of the Brighton Railway till it approaches the end of Brockley Lane, and then following the centre of that Lane and Catford Road, and southward of the churchyard to Cock Shed Lane, and thence to the eastern boundary of the parish; and that the Sydenham District do contain that part of the parish of Lewisham lying south of the Lewisham District as above described, as shown upon the plan submitted to the Committee; that the Board do proceed, on the 4th March next, to the election of a Surveyor for each of the proposed districts, and that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointments.

The subject of the building operations and restrictions of the width of the entrance to Truman-square, Rotherhithe, by Mr. Amery, having been referred by the Board on the 3rd December last (No. 24) to your Committee, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they might arrive, your Committee have now to report that they have had before them a report by the Solicitor, and, looking to all the circumstances surrounding the case, they have instructed him not to proceed further in the matter.

Your Committee have also to report that they have received from the Solicitor a report as to the decision of the magistrate on a summons taken out against Mr. Baker for the formation of a street of a less width than 40 feet with only one entrance, leading out of Frogmore, Wandsworth, in pursuance of the Order of the Board of the 5th November, 1869, (No. 11), to the effect that the Magistrate had granted a case for the opinion of the Court of Queen's Bench as to whether the Board had any jurisdiction over the width or entrance to new roads. Also that Mr. Norwood had entered into a recognizance in £100, binding the Board to prosecute the case, and your Committee, being of opinion that it is desirable to have the decision of the Superior Court on the point raised by the Magistrate, recommend—

> That the case granted by the Magistrate be proceeded with, and that Mr. Norwood, who has entered into a recognizance on behalf of the Board, be indemnified.

With reference to the Order of the Board of the 7th January last (No. 47), instructing the Solicitor to take proceedings against Mr. Gilbert, for erecting a house at the corner of Pleasant-row and Blewett-street, Walworth, within 20 feet of the centre of the roadway, your Committee have now to state that they have received a Report from the Solicitor, and a further report from the Superintending Architect on the subject, from which they learn that the property has been leased to another person, but that Mr. George Beard, of Thames

Ditton, is the freeholder. It is contended that the Board sanctioned the house now objected to when they gave their approval to the formation of the roads. Your Committee, however, agreeing with the views entertained by the Vestry with reference to the matter, recommend—

> That the Solicitor be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Beard relative to a house erected for him in Pleasant-row, Walworth, requiring him to set it back 20 feet from the centre of the roadway.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them a letter from Messrs. Underwood and Colman, on behalf of Mr. Bull, requesting a re-consideration of the Order of the Board of the 15th October last (No. 13), directing that certain houses which had been called by the owner Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Osnaburgh-place, should be designated Nos. 38, 39, and 40, Osnaburgh-street; also a report by the Superintending Architect on the subject, by which they find that, in opposition to the Order of the Board, the name Osnaburgh-place has been affixed to the houses in question, which have been numbered as Nos. 1, 2, and 3, in that Place, instead of as directed by the Board's Order. Your Committee would further state that the name Osnaburgh-place, originally applied to 14 houses in the line of what was then known as the New-road, and that when the Board, on the 20th February, 1857, ordered that road to be re-named Euston-road, it was also ordered that the subsidiary names should be abolished. The numbering of the houses in question received considerable attention when your Committee made their recommendation to the Board on the 15th October last, and they see no reason for varying the Order then made, they, therefore, recommend—

> That the Order of the Board of the 15th October last, directing that certain new houses erected at the corner of Osnaburgh-street should be numbered as 37, 38, 39, and 40, in that street be adhered to, and that the necessary steps be taken for enforcing the Order.

In accordance with the Order of the Board of the 21st January last (No. 40), your Committee have considered the several communications from parties objecting to the substitution of the name "Stanley-hill" for "Ladbroke-grove," and the letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, stating that the Vestry had rescinded their previous resolution in favour of the name "Stanley Hill," and had passed a further resolution recommending that the name "Ladbroke-grove" be retained; all of which were presented to the Board on the above-mentioned date, and they beg to report that they are of opinion that the Order of the Board of the 14th January last (No. 6) directing that the thoroughfare in question be called "Stanley-hill" should be adhered to, and they recommend accordingly, and that the several parties objecting to the same be informed of the decision of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. Robert Hesketh, on behalf of Lord Portman, for the consent of the Board to the front of Brunswick Chapel, Upper Berkeley-street, being brought forward, be not granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the present District under the Metropolitan Building Act, known as the Lewisham District be divided into two Districts, to be called respectively, Lewisham and Sydenham Districts; that the Lewisham District do contain that part of the parish of Lewisham, lying north of a line drawn along the centre of Forest-hill-road, and along the eastern side of the Brighton Railway till it approaches the end of Brockley-lane, and then following the centre of that lane and Catford-road and southward of the churchyard to Cock-Shed-lane, and thence to the eastern boundary of the parish; and that the Sydenham District do contain that part of the Parish of Lewisham, lying south of the Lewisham District as above described, as shown upon the Plan now submitted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Board do proceed on the 4th March next to the election of a Surveyor for each of the proposed Districts, and that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointments.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the course taken by the Committee in instructing the Solicitor not to take any further steps with regard to the building operations of Mr. Amery, at Truman-square, Rotherhithe, be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the proceedings taken against Mr. Baker, for the formation of a street leading out of Frogmore, Wandsworth, be approved, that the Case granted by the Magistrate be proceeded with, and that Mr. Norwood, who has entered into a recognizance on behalf of the Board in the matter, be indemnified against all liability in respect of the same, and he is hereby indemnified accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the Solicitor be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Beard, relative to houses erected for him in Pleasant-row, Walworth, with a view to compelling him to set them back 20 feet from the centre of the roadway.

It was **moved** by Mr. Bidgood—That the Order of the Board of the 15th October last (No. 13), directing that certain new houses erected at the corner of Osnaburgh-street, should be numbered as 37, 38, 39, and 40, in that street, be adhered to, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras be requested to take the necessary steps for enforcing compliance with the said Order.

Read a letter from Messrs. Underwood and Colman, dated 15th February, 1870, stating that they had been informed that no decision as to the numbering of the houses in question would be arrived at by the Board until they had had an opportunity of explaining the objection which their client, Mr. Bull, entertained to the proposed alteration, but that pending this the name "Osnaburgh-place," had been obliterated, and the name "Osnaburgh-street, substituted.

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor, was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the letters received from certain parties objecting to the substitution of the name "Stanley Hill," for that of "Ladbroke Grove," be approved; that the Order of the Board of the 14th January last (No. 6), be adhered to, and that the parties be informed accordingly.

11. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the various Tramway Bills introduced into Parliament during the present Session. It will be in the recollection of the Board that last year certain lines were sanctioned by Parliament, at the instance of the Board, as experiments, which were to be tried before any extension of the tramway system was adopted. None of the three lines sanctioned is yet completed, and consequently there has been no opportunity of ascertaining, by experience, the advantages, or disadvantages, of the system. Your Committee are of opinion, that it will be necessary for the Board to appear when these Bills are considered in Committee, and they have accordingly instructed the Solicitor to prepare petitions against all the Bills.

Your Committee have also directed petitions to be prepared against the Great Eastern Railway Company's Bill, by which it is proposed to make encroachments on Hackney Downs; also against the South Eastern Railway Bill, and the Metropolitan and Saint John's Wood Railway Bill, in which it will be necessary to obtain the insertion of clauses to protect the interests of the Board and the Local Authorities, as regards the Sewers.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill, referred to them on the 23rd December last. It appears to your Committee that some

of the provisions of this Bill will require modification, and they have instructed the Solicitor to prepare a petition against it accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the course taken by the Committee in instructing the Solicitor to prepare petitions against the several Bills relating to Tramways, the Great Eastern Railway Bill, the South Eastern Railway Bill, the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill, and the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill, be approved, and that petitions be presented accordingly.

12. Mr. Saunders brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 16th February, 1870.

Your Committee have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 30th July last (No. 37), referring back to them the question of building on portions of Southwark Park, with an instruction to specially report what portion of the land not at present laid out could best be appropriated for the purpose of a recreation ground or grounds for children. Your Committee, it will be remembered, on the above date, reported that they did not think it expedient to make any alteration in the Plan already determined upon by the Board, and accordingly recommended that that Plan should be adhered to. In obedience to the resolution of the Board, the Committee have again given attention to this question, and, as it appeared to them desirable that a deliberate and definite decision should now be arrived at with reference to the plans for building upon the surplus lands in the Parks, they have reviewed the Plans relating to both Finsbury and Southwark Parks (although the latter only was comprised in the reference to them). In addition to a careful examination of the Plans by your Committee, they deemed it right that an inspection of the proposed building sites should be made by the whole Board. This course was accordingly adopted, and your Committee, having again had the matter under consideration, have now to report the result of their deliberations. With regard to Southwark Park, your Committee are of opinion that the Plan already determined upon by the Board should be adhered to, with the exception that no buildings should be placed upon the site marked "Block 2" upon the Plan, situate between the entrances to the Park at Paradise-row and Gomm-road. This site, they consider, should be appropriated for the purposes of the Park and the recreation of the people. They think, also, that the refreshment-room should be placed upon that portion of the Park in lieu of the spot originally contemplated, namely, the triangular piece of ground in front of the site to which your Committee have been referring. Your Committee beg to recommend in accordance with the views above expressed.

With regard to the instruction contained in the reference to your Committee, to report what portion of the land, not at present laid out, could best be appropriated as a recreation ground or grounds for children, your Committee beg to state that, inasmuch as the whole of the Park will be available, they do not consider it desirable to set apart any portion for that purpose.

With reference to Finsbury Park, your Committee are also of opinion that the Plan already determined upon should be adhered to. They would suggest, however, that for the present no buildings be placed on the portion marked "Block 3" on the Plan, situate on the west side of the Park and adjoining the Great Northern Railway. It further appears to your Committee of the highest importance that due precautions should be adopted for preventing the erection of buildings of an unsightly character, or such as might be calculated in any way to affect injuriously the Park and neighbourhood, and they consider that the Board should retain a controlling power in reference to this matter. They would suggest

that conditions should be inserted in the Deeds of Conveyance to the purchasers of the land, providing that the Plans and elevations approved by the Board for the erection of any buildings to be placed upon the land shall be conformed to in all respects, and that no alterations in, or addition to, such buildings shall at any time hereafter be made without the consent of this Board. Your Committee recommend in accordance with the views and suggestions above set forth.

Your Committee have had before them the resolution of the Board of the 17th December last, referring to them the subject of laying out and planting the several plots of ground on the Thames Embankment, North, referred to in the report of the Engineer presented to the Board on that date. Your Committee gave instructions for the preparation of the necessary Plans, with a view to their being submitted for your approval, but in the mean time they deemed it desirable to ascertain from Mr. McKenzie, the superintendent of the Board's plantations, &c., the terms upon which he would be willing to assist in the preparation of the Plans, to purchase the necessary trees and shrubs, and to superintend the works of laying out and planting, and they have now to report the result of their communication with him. It may be well, however, in the first place, to remind the Board of the special and important character of this work, forming, as it will, one of the leading features of the Thames Embankment, and of the necessity which consequently exists that it should be carried out in a manner reflecting credit upon the Board and the Metropolis, and further that it should present an appearance, in the eyes of visitors to this country and of the public generally, worthy of so great a work. Having in view these considerations, and the fact that the area of the ground to be laid out is about 9 acres, your Committee are of opinion that the terms upon which Mr. McKenzie has expressed his willingness to undertake the duties above set forth, namely, the sum of two hundred guineas, such sum to include all travelling and other expenses, are fair and reasonable, and such as the Board may with propriety accede to. Your Committee accordingly recommend that Mr. McKenzie be employed to perform the services mentioned upon those terms.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them the Plan prepared in compliance with the directions given by them as above stated, showing the proposed method of planting and laying out the plots of ground on the Thames Embankment, North. It should first be stated that the Committee deemed it desirable at once to give instructions to the officers to prepare the Plan, as they felt that it was of the highest importance no time should be lost in the matter, and, having regard to the work required for the laying out of the ground, and the necessity of obtaining a coating of soil for securing the proper growth of the grass and shrubs, that unless great expedition were used, it would not be possible to complete the works so as to admit of the Embankment being opened to the public in the course of the ensuing summer. The plan which has been placed before your Committee, and which is now submitted for the approval of the Board, was prepared by Mr. McKenzie, without any assistance from the staff of the Board, and your Committee find from the accompanying report by Mr. McKenzie, a copy of which they have caused to be forwarded to each Member of the Board, that the estimated cost of the works, exclusive of fences, and the roadway adjoining, would be about £7,000. The area of the ground to be laid out is, as already stated in this report, about 9 acres. Your Committee have given their best attention to the proposed plan, and, being of opinion that it is in all respects appropriate to the great work of which it forms part, they recommend that it be approved, and that the necessary works be carried out.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the two houses belonging to the Board, lying eastward of the Union-road entrance to Southwark Park. These houses were for some time occupied by the policemen in charge of the Park, and, upon their services being dispensed with, some of the Board's labourers were permitted to use them. It was, however, intimated to your Committee that there was some intention of applying these houses to the purposes of a Fire Brigade Station, and they requested the Fire Brigade Committee to acquaint them with their views in the matter. That Committee now state that, having inspected the plans, they are of opinion that the two houses in question are very suitable for the purpose of a Fire Brigade Station, and that, as it has been the intention of the Board

from the beginning to place a station on ground taken for the purposes of the Park, they have determined to make use of the two houses in Union-road with that object. Your Committee beg to report these facts for the information of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
P. H. LE BRETON.

REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

To the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee.

GENTLEMEN—Having now given my attention for some time to the subject of laying out and planting the reclaimed portions of the Thames Embankment, North, and having from time to time consulted with Mr. Bazalgette with the view of ascertaining the conditions binding on your Honourable Board, together with your requirements, as well as the requirements of the Railway Company and the public, and ascertaining the proposed thoroughfares leading from the Strand to the Embankment, the various portions conceded to the Crown, the Temple, &c.; and with these conditions and requirements before me, I have prepared roughly the plans from which the accompanying tracings have been made, with a view to submitting them for your inspection, approval, or alteration, as your Honourable Board may think right.

I may state, at the outset, that I have avoided everything in the way of expensive gardening, and where a doubt exists as to the ultimate use of the reclaimed ground, I have endeavoured to submit a plan, which, if carried out, will be effective at the present time, and capable of being cut up ultimately without a total disfigurement of the works proposed to be executed at this time. Of course, if it is the wish of your Honourable Board, a much more expensive system of gardening might be introduced, without much alteration to the design, by the introduction of statues, fountains, and vases.

In explanation of these tracings, I beg to offer the following remarks—

1st. The walks are so arranged as to give facility to the Public from each of the recognised entrances with a pleasant and diversified plantation on either side, at the same time preserving enough space for grass, which, in all cases, ought to be well kept.

The plantations, although nearly continuous, are sufficiently broken to give glimpses from the Embankment roadway at such points as the breadth of the views will justify this being done.

The nature of the plantations will be more expensive than that at either of the Parks, for two reasons. First, the nature of the surroundings, so far as the Metropolitan Board of Works is concerned, is so much richer than anything surrounding either of the Parks, that a different class of trees and shrubs will be required to dress the ground. Secondly, the variety of trees and shrubs suitable is much reduced, owing to the growth of many varieties being destroyed by the influence of smoke and other causes inseparable from the position.

The planting should be to a considerable extent of deciduous trees and shrubs, their beauty and brilliancy of foliage in spring will compensate to a great extent for the absence of foliage in winter, which is seldom bright, except after heavy rains. Thus, I should recommend the plantations to consist of groupings of Laburnums, Acacias, Flowering Almonds, Double Flowering Peaches, and other rosaceous trees—of Double and Single Thorns in groups of colours; also groups of trees conspicuous for their colour or variety of foliage, such as Copper Beech, Acer Negundi, Variegata, &c., and filling up between with evergreens, to give variety in winter, so as to afford interest to the plantations at all seasons of the year.

Generally speaking, the plantations should consist of permanent plants, but I think it will be impossible to give general satisfaction without a few patches of flowers, judiciously and sparingly dotted about.

2ndly. In dealing with the ground I have endeavoured as far as possible to adapt the design to future requirements. Thus, in dealing with the plot No. 1, I have taken into consideration that possibly some short time hence the site to the north may be built upon, in which case the ground would form a forecourt to the building itself.

No. 2 may be subject to alteration in the formation of any new thoroughfares from Charing Cross.

No. 3 is suitable for a fountain or statuary, and enough planting to shut out what is unsightly in the adjoining buildings.

Nos. 4. 4. leave us only breadth enough to be treated in the way indicated.

No. 5 is the largest, and may be made very effective, advantage being taken of Buckingham Gate as one of the entrances.

In dealing with the Buckingham Gate, it will be necessary to lower the walk leading to it, by throwing up banks on either side, owing to the Gate itself being so much below the level. It would, however, very greatly improve the appearance if the Gate was brought up to the level of the Buckingham-street roadway.

The few sections shown on tracing No. 4 will show the appearance when finished. These may require some modification in execution.

I think too much stress cannot be put upon the importance of a thoroughfare for foot passengers at the point marked B, as it will be seen by reference to the tracing the great inconvenience to which the public will be put in having to pass under the Railway Bridge, on their way to or from the Steam Boat Pier.

By throwing two girders across the Station, the Public might pass without any inconvenience to the Railway Authorities.

In the formation of the ornamental grounds, I think it is of great importance that a water-pipe with hydrants be laid throughout the whole length, so as to be able to water when necessary, and wash and refresh the foliage, as so much depends on the beauty and health of the trees and shrubs in town on this being attended to, and so much depends on the future cost of the keeping, in having arrangements made suitable for the proper performance of these duties in the first instance. As the Railway Company must have a supply of water to their premises, this need not be an expensive operation, especially if done at the proper time.

I should also recommend that all the walks be made of asphalte, so that they may be always clean and dry for use in all weathers. Although this will entail a large expenditure at first, I believe in the end it will be better, and nearly as cheap.

From the magnificent way in which all the other works in connection with your Board have been carried out; it will be indispensable that the finishing of this portion of the work should be in keeping with what has already been done, for in the words of the "Builder" of January 1st, "We must go as far south as Naples to admire, in the magnificent coast roads that fringe that unrivalled Bay, a waterside drive and promenade superior to that which London will possess when the Thames Embankment is completed."

In estimating the cost as far as I have yet gone, the several works included in ground work, materials, planting, &c., but exclusive of fences or the roadway adjoining, would be about £7,000; much of this will be swallowed up in bringing good soil for the top and planting purposes, from Barking or elsewhere.

But since this estimate has been arrived at, it has been suggested that the planting of the line of trees on the river side of the Embankment Roadway, from the Temple to Blackfriars Bridge, should be added to the contract, so that it may all be done at the same time. About 100 trees are required, and would cost the proportion of the last contract, which, as I have not the cost of iron grating at hand, I have been unable to estimate.

Another subject of some importance, as regards the expense, will be effected by a resolution arrived at recently, viz., the letting of your land at Barking Creek for grazing purposes. My calculations have been arrived at on the understanding that soil would be got from your Barking property, as on the occasion of planting the trees on the Embankment last year, the only cost was for labour in loading and unloading, and the cost of barges. If the ground is let, it will materially interfere with the arrangements, unless a portion is kept in hand.

Another subject of importance is the time. Every week the settlement of this subject is delayed increases the difficulty in executing the works.

1st. Spoil for the undulations may be had at present from the construction of the District Railway Works. In a short time this will be gone.

2nd. Only a short time remains for planting operations, and a great deal of work has to be done before the planting can be commenced.

Another subject, still of great importance to your Board as well as myself, is, the nature of the work being such as general road or earthwork contractors do not understand; and, however willing they may be to do so, they are unable to give that finish to it that those people can who make it the principal feature of their business. I would, with your permission, beg to suggest that the contract be competed for between such men as Messrs. Veitch and Son, of Chelsea; B. S. Williams, of Holloway; Cutbush, of Highgate; and Meston, of Fortess Terrace, who has done the work at Finsbury Park.

If necessary I can add several names to the list above given, but I think those four are the best men we have got.

Trusting you will take these things into your consideration as early as possible,

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) ALEX. McKENZIE.

Muswell Hill, N., Jan. 27, 1870.

The Report having been read and received,

The Plan for planting and laying out the Thames Embankment, North, referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Saunders, and seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the Plan already determined upon by the Board for building on the surplus land in Southwark-park be adhered to, with the exception that no buildings be placed upon the site marked "Block 2" upon the Plan, being land situate between the entrances to the Park at Paradise-row and Gomm-road; that the site in question be appropriated for the purposes of the Park and the recreation of the people, and that the refreshment-room be placed upon that portion of the Park in lieu of the spot originally contemplated.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the Plan already determined upon by the Board for building on the surplus land in Southwark-park be adhered to, and that the refreshment-room be placed upon that portion of the Park originally contemplated.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—25.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Deputy
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Westerton.	

Against the Amendment—10.	
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Harris, C. Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Legg.	

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion.**

And a division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—25.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.
Beven, T., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Deputy.
	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Westerton.	

Against the Motion—11.	
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Savage.	

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Westerton—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of setting apart a portion of the land in Southwark Park for a recreation ground for children, be approved.

It was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the plan already determined upon for building on the surplus land in Finsbury Park be adhered to, but that for the present no buildings be placed on the portion marked "Block 3" on the Plan, situate on the west side of the Park and adjoining the Great Northern Railway; and that conditions be inserted in the Deeds of Conveyance to the purchasers of the land providing that the plans and elevations approved by the Board for the erection of any buildings to be placed upon the land shall be conformed to in all respects, and that no alterations in, or additions to, such buildings shall at any time hereafter be made without the consent of this Board.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the plan already determined upon for building on the surplus land in Finsbury Park be adhered to, and that conditions be inserted in the Deeds of Conveyance to the purchasers of the land providing that the plans and elevations approved by the Board for the erection of any buildings to be placed upon the land, shall be conformed to in all respects, and that no alterations in, or additions to, such buildings shall at any time hereafter be made without the consent of this Board.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion** a division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—23.		Against the Motion—11.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Barker, C.Stuart,Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Elt, C. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.	Harris, C., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.,	Savage, J., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.		Thompson, E. J. Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.		
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.		
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Gibbons, S. J., Esq. Ald.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
	Taylor, Silas, Esq.		
	White, T. J., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor.		Teller—Mr. Westerton.	

And it was carried in the affirmative, and **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That Mr. Alexander McKenzie be employed in the preparation of the plans for planting on the plots of ground on the Thames Embankment, North; to purchase the necessary trees and shrubs, and to superintend the works of laying out and planting, and that the sum of two hundred guineas be paid to him for performing those services, such sum to include all travelling and other expenses.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, and seconded by Mr. Shaw—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until September next.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—4.		Against the Amendment—23.	
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.,	Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.,		Beven, T., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
		Bidgood, H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
		Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
		Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
		Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
		Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
		Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
		Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Brooker.		Teller—Mr. Westerton.	

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved**—That Mr. Alexander Mc Kenzie be employed in the preparation of the plans for planting on the plots of ground on the Thames Embankment North; to purchase the necessary trees and shrubs, and to superintend the works of laying out and planting, and that the sum of two hundred guineas be paid to him for performing those services, such sum to include all travelling and other expenses.

It was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—That the Plan now submitted for the planting and laying out of the Thames Embankment, North, and the estimate of the cost of the works, be approved, and that the necessary works be carried out.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—"That the work of planting the Thames Embankment be submitted to public competition, and be advertised in the usual manner, and that Mr. McKenzie do prepare a proper specification, in accordance with the Plans as proposed, for the purpose."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

After discussion, the **motion** was, on the suggestion of Mr. Roche, and by leave of the Board, modified as follows—That the Plan now submitted for the planting and laying out of the Thames Embankment, North, together with the estimate of the cost of the works, be approved; that the necessary works be carried out, and that the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee do report to the Board monthly their proceedings under this resolution.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the expenditure by the Committee for the planting and laying out of the Thames Embankment, North, be limited to £7,000.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved—That it be referred back to the Committee to take the necessary steps for the planting and laying out of the Thames Embankment, North.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Westerton—That so much of the Report as relates to the two houses belonging to the Board in Union-road, Rotherhithe, being used for the purposes of a Fire Brigade Station, be approved.

13. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Dresser Rogers, pursuant to notice, seconded by "Mr. Brooker—That the Engineer do make, as quickly as possible, a Report of the cause of "the accident at Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and also of what measures have been adopted "to carry on the work, and the expense incurred up to the present time in making the "necessary arrangements of a temporary character for carrying on the works; and also as to "any permanent alteration in the structure of the buildings or engines, and the estimated cost "of the same, and that the Report be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the "Board."

14. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th February, 1870, stating that it was necessary that the Seal of the Board should be affixed to a copy of their Order of the 1st October last, (No. 12) for production in proceedings before Police Magistrates under the Metropolitan Building Acts, 1855 and 1869, and he laid before the Board a copy of the Order referred to.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

15. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 18th February, 1870.

Petroleum Acts, 1862 and 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are eight applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of four calendar months and ten days from the 18th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
Bethnal Green	Batsford, J.	14,730	133, Green Street	8	Yard P. d.
Camberwell	Pratt, Jas.	14,785	5, Catherine Place, Commercial Road, Peckham	5	,, ,,
Clerkenwell	Coleman, Geo.	14,771	3, Coburg Street	5	,, ,,
Hackney	Parkinson, Chas.	14,783	6, Bentley Place, Wilton Road, Dalston	1	Whse ,,
Lambeth	Williams, G.	14,772	4, Mayo Place, Cold Harbour Lane	10	Shed ,,
St. Pancras.	Wythe, Albert	14,786	43, St. George's Road, Regent's Park	10	Yard ,,
Wandsworth	Davies and Evans	14,762	High Street, Putney	5	,, ,,
,,	Berry, Jno. Edwd.	14,763	2, Bright's Buildings, South Street	10	Shed ,,

The several licenses referred to were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

16. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 11th instant (No. 8) for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares together with copies of the plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

High-street, &c., Kingsland	Islington and Hackney.
Wellington-road, &c.	Hackney.
Church-road, &c., Homerton	Do.
Oriel-road, &c., do.	Do.
Park-road, &c., Stoke Newington	Do.
Bishop's-road, &c.	Paddington.
Portobello-road, &c.	Kensington.
Tavistock-road, &c.	Do.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. The Clerk reported that an error had occurred in drawing up the Orders of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 2), for the re-numbering, &c., of the houses in Denmark-street and Denmark-road, Camberwell, by the omission of the parish of Lambeth therefrom.

Resolved—That the Order of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 2), for the re-numbering, &c., of Denmark-street, in the parishes of Camberwell and Lambeth, be not further acted upon.

And it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 14th day of December, 1869, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Denmark-street, in the parishes of Saint Giles, Camberwell, and Saint Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 986, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 91, being

assigned to the houses on the south-west side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 108, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Cold Harbour-lane, that the names Lansdown-cottages, Clifton-cottages, Roslyn cottages, Dane-villas, Alpha-cottages, George Cornelius's-cottages, York-place, York-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Denmark-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Denmark-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Camberwell and Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved—That the Order of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 2) for the re-numbering, &c., of Denmark-road, in the parishes of Camberwell and Lambeth, be not further acted upon.

And it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 14th day of December, 1869, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Denmark-road, in the Parishes of Saint Giles, Camberwell, and Saint Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 987, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 115, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 86, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Cold Harbour-lane; that the names Somerset-place, Albert-place, Albert-cottages, Elgin-Cottages, Cambridge-cottages, Oxford-cottages, Camden-cottages, Hellen's-cottages, Denmark-terrace, Harriet-cottages, Alfred-cottages, Victoria-cottages, Clifton-place, Denmark-place, Denmark-cottages, Rose-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Denmark-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Denmark-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestries of Camberwell and Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the foregoing Orders and of the Plans referred to therein.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. The Clerk reported that the following Vestries and District Boards had not yet furnished to the Board a copy of their Annual Report, &c., for the past year, as directed by the 198th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855—

St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.	Chelsea.
Poplar.	Fulham.
St. Mary, Newington.	Camberwell.
Bermondsey.	Clerkenwell.
Lewisham.	St. Luke, Middlesex.
Hackney.	Lambeth.
St. Giles.	St. Olave, Southwark.
St. Marylebone.	Hampstead.
Greenwich.	

Resolved—That the Clerk do address a communication to each of the Vestries and District Boards referred to, requesting them to send in a copy of their Report, &c., for the past year.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th February, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.				
Intended street from London-road to Market-street, Southwark Bridge-road	474	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
KENSINGTON.				
Wetherby-road, between Collingham - road and Earl's Court-road	920	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

20. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
17th February, 1870.

On letter from Mr. W. Haywood, Guildhall, relative to shifting the position of a side entrance to, and forming a sewer connection with, the Main Fleet, for the purposes of the Holborn Valley Improvement (Additional) Works.

In preparing the Plans for the line of new street from Farringdon-street, near its junction with Fleet-street, to Shoe-lane, by Stonecutter-street, it is found that an existing entrance to the Fleet Sewer comes directly in the line of street; Mr. Haywood therefore asks permission to shift the entrance to the position shown upon the accompanying Plan, being about 100 feet northward of the present position; and he further asks to be permitted to connect the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 6″ sewer to be formed under the new street, with the Board's main line, as also shown upon the Plan.

I recommend that the Board grant the request, the works being done under the direction and to the satisfaction of their officers and at the sole cost of the Corporation.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That permission be given to Mr. Haywood to shift a side entrance to the Fleet Sewer, to the position shown upon the Plan now produced, and to connect with the Board's main line of Sewer, the 4 ft. by 2 ft. 6 in. Sewer to be formed under the new street from Farringdon-street to Shoe-lane, as shown on the said Plan, on condition that the works be executed under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board and at the sole cost of the Corporation of the City of London.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th February, 1870, stating that George Clayton, employed as Filth-hoist man at the Deptford Pumping Station, had been under medical care for the past fortnight for fistula, and that it would probably be several days before he could resume his work; that he (the Engineer) had, under the authority of the resolution of the Board of the 22nd June, 1866, (No. 9), allowed Clayton half-pay for a fortnight, and had made the requisite temporary arrangements for the performance of his duties; and recommending that the half-pay and temporary arrangements be continued for another fortnight if necessary, and stating that he would then report further on the subject.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th February, 1870, stating that on the 4th instant (No. 9) the Board sanctioned the closing of the portion of Brick-lane between Osborn-place and Church-street, for a period of fourteen days for the purpose of re-paving the carriage way; that owing to the continued frost the works had been much retarded, and that application was now made by the Whitechapel District Board to extend the time granted for a further period of fourteen days; and recommending the sanction of the Board thereto.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the portion of Brick-lane between Osborn-place and Church-street, by the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District for a further period of fourteen days from the date of the expiration of the previous sanction, for the purpose of completing the paving works therein.

23. The Clerk laid before the Board a Certificate signed by the Accountant and Mr. Cresy, dated 18th February, 1870, to the effect that the total amount of the accounts sent in by Mr. Thirst for Jobbing Works done to the Fire Brigade Stations, and now outstanding to the account of the Fire Brigade, was four thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven pounds, fourteen shillings and eightpence, whereof one moiety was the sum for which a cheque was ordered to be drawn by the Board on Friday last, amounting to two thousand three hundred and sixty three pounds, seventeen shillings and fourpence, and a cheque was thereupon drawn for £2,363 17s. 4d., in conformity with the resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 7).

24. The Solicitor reported that the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (various powers) Bill had been read a first time in the House of Commons on the 10th instant.

25. The Solicitor also reported that the following Bills had been read a first time in the House of Commons on the 14th instant, viz.—

Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways—(Extensions)
London Street Tramways,
Tottenham and Hampstead Junction Railway.

and that the undermentioned Bills had been read a first time on the 11th instant, viz.—

Hounslow and North London Railway,
Wandsworth Bridge.

26. The Solicitor reported that he would procure a copy of the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment Bill, and report thereon on Friday next.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Embankment, North Viaduct Roadway Bill had been read a second time on Tuesday last, and committed.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a printed copy of a Report by the Board of Trade to the House of Commons on the Railway and Tramway Bills of the present session.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Navigation Bill had been read a first time on the 15th instant, and notice given for the second reading on the 22nd instant.

30. The Solicitor laid before the Board Petitions to Parliament against the undermentioned Bills, viz.—

North London Tramways,
Metropolitan Street Tramways,
London Street Tramways,
Metropolitan District Railway,
Great Eastern Railway (Metropolitan Railways),
Metropolitan Railway,
Gaslight and Coke Company,
Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (various powers),
Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Petitions.

31. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to other petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

32. Read a Report as follows—

TRAMWAYS.

I should mention that Mr. Shaw Lefevre is stated last night in the House to have said that the whole question of Tramways was now under the consideration of the Board of Trade, and that he hoped in a few days to make a statement with reference to the numerous Bills as to Metropolitan Tramways, and that in the meantime the second reading would be postponed.

I have received a letter and accompanying papers from Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, & Co.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

33. The Solicitor reported that, in reply to the question of Captain Grosvenor in the House of Commons, on the subject of the reclaimed land on the Thames Embankment, the Chancellor of the Exchequer had stated that 11 acres of land below high water mark, belonging to the Crown, had been taken for the purposes of the Embankment. That of those 11 acres the Crown had retained 5½ acres, but that it had received no compensation for the remainder; that the Government concurred with the recommendation in the Report of the Commissioners of Woods, &c., that buildings should be erected on two acres and a half of the 5½ acres the property of the Crown, and that they considered that it would not be right to lay out in gardens so valuable a plot, when it might be devoted to buildings, and produce money which might be applied in relief of taxation.

34. The Solicitor reported that notice had been given by Mr. Goschen, M.P., for this evening, to bring in a Bill to provide for the equal distribution over the Metropolis of a further portion of the charge for Poor Relief.

35. The Solicitor reported that the Bill of the Great Central Gas Consumers' Company, had been read a first time in the House of Lords on the 11th instant, and stood for second reading this day.

36. The Solicitor reported that the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, had been before the Rolls Court on Wednesday last, and had been further adjourned until next week.

37. The Solicitor reported that the following question had been put to the First Commissioner of Works, &c., in the House of Commons by Lord Elcho, viz.—"Whether, in pursuance of the "recommendation of a Select Committee of last Session, it is his intention to bring in a Bill "to relieve the Metropolitan Board of Works from the obligation to construct a Viaduct on "the Thames Embankment from Hungerford Bridge to Wellington-street, Strand, and "whether, 'having regard to the improvement of the Metropolis, and as a security against its "further disfigurement,' he intends, in accordance with a further recommendation of the same "Select Committee, to recommend to Parliament that the Standing Orders be amended so 'that "whenever any Public Company or Corporate Body applies for Parliamentarypowers to enable "it to execute any works or erect any buildings in the Metropolis, or to raise money for the "execution or erection of such works and buildings, it shall, before coming to Parliament, "deposit at the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings "plans and elevations, designs or models, in like manner as Railway Companies are now "obliged to deposit plans and sections at the Board of Trade,'" and that the First Commissioner had replied to the effect that, on his accession to his present office, he had written a letter to this Board, calling their attention to the recommendations of the Select Committee, and stating that, if, in their judgment, it was for the convenience of the inhabitants of the metropolis, and the interests of the ratepayers, that the construction of the street should be abandoned, he would take upon himself the responsibility of that; and that he believed the Board had introduced a Bill for the purpose of abandoning that work; and that, with reference to the second question of Lord Elcho, he had addressed a letter to the Board calling their attention to the recommendation of the Select Committee, and requesting that in their report they would take notice of any measure affecting any public building in the metropolis, so that he might see whether the building was one under his charge; that whether it was desirable, as suggested by Lord Elcho, to take away from the local authorities the power they possessed of regulating the affairs of the metropolis, was a question that would require a great deal of consideration, and it had not been brought under the notice of Her Majesty's Government; that it was one which belonged entirely to the department of the Home Secretary, and, therefore, that he did not contemplate taking any steps with reference to the recommendation of the Select Committee; and that the report of the Metropolitan Board had been prepared, and would be immediately laid upon the table of the House.

38. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following documents for sealing, viz.:—

Agreement for extending the time for making the award on Mr. C. J. Chaplin's claim in respect of property affected by the formation of Queen Victoria Street.

Conveyance and Assignment in duplicate, by the East London Waterworks Company to the Board, of property at Stratford and West Ham for Main Drainage purposes.

Deed of Assignment by Mr. George Cavey to the Board, of property at Plumstead for the purposes of the roadway to Crossness.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement and Deeds respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

39. The Solicitor reported that on the motion of Mr. Fawcett the House of Commons had resolved that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty praying that she will take such measures as in her judgment she may deem most expedient in order that Epping Forest may be preserved as an open space for the recreation and enjoyment of the public.

40. The Solicitor reported that the North London Tramways Bill would be read a second time in the House of Commons this evening.

41. Read Reports as follows—

Re MARK EDWARDS.

This is a case in which I was instructed by the Cattle Plague Committee to take legal proceedings.

I took out a summons at the Clerkenwell Police Court, and the defendant, Mr. Edwards, appeared to the summons on the 11th instant, when the Magistrate convicted him, on the evidence of Mr. Samuel Rayment, and fined him £5 and cost of summons.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

THE QUEEN *against* STEPHEN.

Sweeping mud into sewer through a grating in the Strand, opposite to the Lyceum Theatre, on the 12th January, 1870.

Mr. Vaughan, the Magistrate at Bow-street Police Court, convicted this Defendant, on the 16th instant, on the evidence of two Police Constables, and fined him 20s. or ten days' imprisonment.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

42. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Ward Burslem, for a re-consideration of the conditions imposed by the Board's Order of the 4th instant (No. 21), with respect to his application for the erection of a house at the corner of Dorking-road, Deptford, and asking to be allowed to erect the house in advance of the adjoining houses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

43. KENSINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Reeves and Butt, for the consent of the Board to the formation of a stable-yard, and to the line of frontage proposed for intended buildings in Plough-lane and Uxbridge-road, Notting Hill Gate, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the footpath in front of the proposed shops in Uxbridge-road be not less than ten feet in width, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Sewell, on behalf of Mr. Reeve, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the "Old White Horse" tavern, Brixton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage line of the proposed erection be kept parallel with the footway, as shown by a blue line on the Plan, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raise without the consent of this Board.

45. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Legg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of his house, No. 71, New-cut, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the proposed shop front and the pavement be given up and added to the public footway previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the shop do not exceed that of the shop at No. 72, adjoining, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Nicholls, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows and ornamental barge boards to the porches of three houses in Milton-road, Dulwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted

47. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Richard Dickins, on behalf of Mr. J. E. W. Rolls, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the forecourts of the houses Nos. 34, 36, 38, the "King's Arms" Public-house, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, and 60, Old Kent-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the proposed shops in front of Nos. 34, 36, and 38, and the "King's Arms" Public-house, be not granted; and that so much as relates to the shops in front of Nos. 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, and 60, be granted, on condition that the proposed shops be kept to a line commencing opposite the north side of No. 44 at a point 15ft. 9in. from the outer edge of the kerb, such line to be continued (properly rounded) to a point at the south side of the forecourt of No. 48, 14ft. from the outer edge of the kerb and thence in a straight line 14ft. from the outer edge of the kerb to the south side of No. 60, Old Kent-road, as shown by a blue dotted line on the Plan; that the vacant ground outside such line where it has not been already given up to the public, be so given up previously to the commencement of building operations; that shop fronts only be brought out to the new line; that all the shop fronts be brought out simultaneously, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. St. Pancras—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Herbert Taylor, on behalf of Mr. Bedford, for the consent of the Board to the erection of additional storeys to premises at the corner of Church-street and Kentish Town-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

49. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. David Jenkins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building to an advanced line of frontage at the corner of Dickinson-street, Kentish Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

50. St. Saviour, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Francis Edwards, on behalf of Messrs. Jelley, Son, and Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting shop-front to their house at the corner of Blackfriars-road and Little Charlotte-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

51. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February 1870, on the application of Messrs. Rosser and Russell, for the consent of the Board to the construction of waterclosets of iron at the premises No. 49, Whitecross-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the closets be covered with incombustible materials, that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

52. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870' on the application of Mr. W. T. Lidstone, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 12th March, 1869, (No. 52), for the use of a workshop with an external staircase as a temporary Ragged School in Orchard-street, Kingsland.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the use of the building for the purpose stated be permitted for a further period of three months from the 2nd April next.

53. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of the Rev. R. R. Chope, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 5th February, 1869, (No. 32), for the use of a temporary church in the garden of Wilton House, Hereford-square.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building be permitted to remain for a further period of nine calendar months from the 5th April next.

54. St. Saviour, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Dunning, on behalf of Messrs. Jacobs, Brothers, for the consent of the Board to increase the height of a furnace chimney-shaft, recently sanctioned and situate on land adjacent to Surrey-row, Blackfriars-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

55. Chelsea (Detached).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Philip Wilkinson, on behalf of Mr. Hunter, for the approval by the Board of a further amended Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of Kensal-road, and of the name, "Alderson-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

56. Chelsea (Detached).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Jonathan Wood, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews on the north side of Kensal-road.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

57. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. H. Field, for the re-numbering of the houses, and the abolition of the subsidiary names in Mostyn-road, Brixton.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. S. Taylor, complaining of the similarity of the names Doddington-grove, Doddington-grove, West, and Doddington-place, and requesting that some greater distinction may be made in the naming of those places.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. Saint Sepulchre, Without, and Liberty of Glasshouse Yard.—Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department,
Spring Gardens, S.W., 14th February, 1870.

Metropolitan Building Act, 1855. § 32.

Memorandum relative to the supervision of the Charter House Building Land. (11,007.)

Some doubt appearing to exist as to the supervision of the land of the Charter House now to be built on, the two District Surveyors nearest thereto have been communicated with.

It is clear that so much of the Charter House as is situated within the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard is within the District of Mr. Hammon, as in his appointment that Liberty is coupled with the Parish of St. Luke, Old-street.

The old buildings of the Charter House were extra paróchial, but the several District Surveyors who have held the parish of St. Sepulchre Without, have exercised supervision within the Charter House, and have received fees for so doing from the several builders executing the works. That is the case now as regards Mr. Porter, and the officers and authorities of the Charter House are stated by him to concur, and to have disputed some years ago a claim by the District Surveyor of the Glasshouse Liberty, to supervise a building within the Charter House walls.

Mr. Porter, therefore, claims the whole of the land within the Charter House walls as being within the limits of his District; and as those who have purchased the vacant ground for building purposes might not recognise his authority, as it has been by the authorities of the Charter House, it is thought advisable that it should be confirmed by the Board's appointment, as shown on the plan now submitted.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The Plan referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the eastern boundary of the Parish of St. Sepulchre be continued northward to and eastward round the old Chapel of the Charter House, and eastward and northward along the boundary of the Charter House Estate, to the north-western corner of the enclosure of St. Thomas's Church, and thence, in a straight line, to the corner of Wilderness-row, at Goswell-street, and that the portion of the Charter House Estate so defined, be added to the District of Holborn and East Strand; and that the portion of the Charter House Estate eastward of the boundary line above defined be added to the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard.

60. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Coleman, for the consent of the Board to the use of Portland cement concrete in the erection of a one-storey stable and coach-house, at his premises, Rye-hill-park, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the concrete walls be made thirteen inches thick, that the buildings, in other respects, be made in accordance with the requirements of the Board with respect to concrete buildings, and that a license, subject to the usual conditions, be issued to the applicant.

61. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, stating that Mr. Aitchison, District Surveyor of Woolwich, had changed his District Office from 36, High Street, Woolwich, to the corner of Parson's Hill.

Resolved—That the situation of the said District Office be approved.

62. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Siemens Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of three sheds, abutting on the river Thames, at their premises, the Telegraph Works, Hartington Road, as shown upon the plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

63. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Samuel Bamford, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a new road on Minet's Estate, and of the name "Carew Street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

64. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. S. Edwards, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board, dated 8th February, 1870, acknowledging the receipt of the communication from this Board, expressing their opinion, in reply to a former letter from the District Board, that the existing Law was sufficient for preventing the Sewage of outlying Districts being brought within the Metropolitan area for the purposes of irrigation or otherwise, and requesting to be informed of the Law to which reference was made.

Resolved—That the Clerk do, after conferring with the Solicitor, send a suitable reply to the said letter.

65. The Clerk presented letters from Mr. John Leighton, dated 11th and 12th February, 1870, calling attention to a plan in the "Graphic" newspaper for dividing London into Districts.

66. The Clerk presented a letter from James C. Smith, temporary Assistant Clerk in the Clerk's Department, asking for appointment as Assistant Clerk in the Engineer's Department in the place of Mr. Dickins.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That James C. Smith be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as an Assistant Clerk in the Engineer's Department, and that he be placed in the Fourth Class of Officers at the minimum salary of that class, viz. £60 per annum.

67. The Clerk reported that in consequence of the removal of J. C. Smith to the Engineer's Department he should require a person to fill his place.

It was **resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to arrange for filling up the vacancy occasioned by the promotion of the officer in question.

68. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. W. Cunningham, Secretary to King's College, dated February, 1870, with reference to the recent accident to the Dining Hall and Terrace of that building, and proposing an arrangement of the matter.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 25th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 8.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **25th** day of **February**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Runtz, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 11th and 18th instants were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. The Chairman stated that, in accordance with the resolutions of the Board, he had paid to the Loan Account of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, at the Bank of England, the Cheques for £225,000 and £78,000, drawn by the Board for the first and second instalments of the sum of £460,000, which the Managers had been authorised by the Poor Law Board to borrow from the Board out of the Loan raised by them under their Loans' Act of last Session, and had received two Bonds dated 19th February, 1870, for the same amounts duly sealed by the Managers of the Poor Law Board, and he laid before the Board the Bonds referred to.

3. Mr. Legg handed in the following communication—

Metropolis Local Management Act, 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 120.
Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.
Vestry Offices, Maltby Street, S.E., 23rd February, 1870.
Southwark Park.

Gentlemen,—Pursuant to a resolution of this Vestry, I forward you an Extract from their Minutes, relative to your intention to let a portion of Southwark Park for Building purposes.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) J. I. RICHES, Assistant Clerk.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Extract from the Minutes of the Bermondsey Vestry, 21st February, 1870.
Thomas Suffield, Esq. (Churchwarden), in the Chair.

It was Resolved—That this Vestry do again memorialize the Metropolitan Board of Works not to appropriate any portion of Southwark Park for Building purposes, the Park being now small enough as an open space for such a crowded district as Southwark, besides which, it is being rapidly surrounded by buildings, and is now, and probably will still be, more used as a Park and open space by the inhabitants of the contiguous parishes on the north side of the river.

Examined,
(Signed) J. I. RICHES.

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg and seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the said communication be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded—That the Vestry of Bermondsey be informed that the Board have already determined on the course they will pursue with regard to appropriating a portion of the Park to building purposes, and are not prepared to re-open the question.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion**, was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

4. Mr. Adams handed in the following communication—

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District,
Office, 199, Holborn, W.C., 23rd February, 1870.

STREET TRAMWAYS.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward you copy of a resolution passed by the above Board at a Meeting held yesterday, and shall feel obliged if you will lay the same before the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBT. FINNIS, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.

The Board of Works for the St. Giles District.

Extract from the Minutes of a Meeting of the above Board held on Tuesday the 22nd day of February, 1870.

Present—Mr. Law, in the Chair, and Sixteen other Gentlemen.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved, that, in the opinion of this Board, it is inexpedient to sanction the formation of additional Tramways in the Metropolis, until those authorized to be made in the last Session of Parliament have been thoroughly tested.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Extracted,
(Signed) ROBT. FINNIS, Clerk.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to that Committee on the same subject.

5. Mr. Healey handed in the following letter—

St. Pancras, Middlesex. Department of General Business,
Vestry Office, King's Road, Pancras Road, 24th February, 1870.

DEAR SIR—I am instructed by the Vestry to inquire what amount has been raised by your Board from the City of London since 1856 (exclusive of the sums raised for Main Drainage and the Fire Brigade), and also the amounts paid, or agreed to be paid by the Board during the same period, for or on account of improvements within the City of London.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Healey, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the information be furnished to the Vestry of St. Pancras.

6. Read the following communication—

Parish of Saint George, Hanover Square.
Board Room, Mount Street, 19th February, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward you a copy of a Memorial which it is proposed to present to the First Lord of the Treasury, by a Deputation from the different bodies concurring in its objects, praying that certain portions of land, reclaimed from the foreshore of the river by the Thames Embankment, may not be appropriated to building purposes.

At a Meeting of Delegates from the Board of Works for the Westminster District, and the Vestries of St. James, Westminster, and St. George, Hanover Square, held yesterday at this Board Room, it was unanimously resolved,

"That the Vestry Clerk submit a copy of the Memorial to the Metropolitan Board of Works, "and request them to join in the Deputation, and, if it meets their views, to take the lead in address- "ing the Prime Minister."

Will you please bring this request before your Board as early as possible.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) J. H. SMITH, Vestry Clerk,
St. George, Hanover Square.

To J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

A copy of the Memorial to the First Lord of the Treasury, praying, for the reasons stated therein, that no step may be taken to alter the appropriation of the land dedicated by the Thames Embankment Act to public recreation and amusement, and that he would use his influence to prevent the appropriation of any part of the space reclaimed belonging to the Crown to any building purposes, was laid before the Board.

Read a letter from Mr. W. J. Farrer, dated 23rd February, 1870, stating his views on the subject of building on the land in question, referring to the Memorial proposed to be addressed to the First Lord of the Treasury, enclosing a copy thereof, and expressing the hope that the Board would assist the Vestries in the matter.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Dalton—"That the communications be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Committee be authorised to act in conjunction with the Vestries and other Bodies in the matter, should they consider it advisable so to do."

7. Mr. Meaden handed in the following Memorial—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH—

That the District under the jurisdiction of your Memorialists is at present very inadequately provided with Fire Escapes.

That the Wandsworth District is about seven miles in length by about three miles in breadth, and contained at the last Census a population of over Seventy Thousand Inhabitants, which is now nearly doubled.

That the only public Fire Escape Station within the District is at Clapham. At the Fire Brigade Stations at Upper Tooting and Wandsworth there is ample accommodation for the keeping of Fire Escapes, and your Memorialists earnestly hope that Fire Escapes may be at once provided by your Honourable Board at these stations, and that similar accommodation may be provided at the proposed new Fire Brigade Station at Battersea, which is the most populous parish in the Wandsworth District.

Your Memorialists therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to give immediate directions for the placing of such Fire Escapes within their District as to your Honourable Board may seem proper.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.,

Battersea Rise, Wandsworth, S.W. (Signed) G. P. MEADEN, Chairman.
23rd February, 1870.

(Signed) ARTHUR ALEX. CORSELLIS,
Clerk to the Board.

L. S.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Meaden, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the said Memorial be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

8. Mr. Richardson stated that a Deputation from the Greenwich District Board was in attendance and desired to address the Board on the subject of the South-Eastern Railway Company's Bill now before Parliament, and **moved** that the Bye-Law of the Board, with reference to the reception of Deputations, be suspended, and that the Deputation referred to be now received.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Le Breton, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

The Deputation from the Greenwich District Board, consisting of Mr. C. H. Allworth, Mr. J. L. Lovibond, Mr. George Carpenter, and Mr. E. W. James, Clerk to the Board, then attended the Board, and presented a Memorial as follows :—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

Respectfully Sheweth—

That a Bill has been introduced into Parliament, and is now before the House of Lords, intituled, "An Act for empowering the South-Eastern Railway Company to alter their authorized "Greenwich and Woolwich Line, and to abandon certain authorized lines, and for extending the "time for purchase of lands and completion of works of certain other lines, and for making better "provision respecting hotels, and for amending the Company's Acts, and for other purposes."

That by the 5th Clause of the said Bill as it now stands it is proposed to make and maintain a line of railway, with proper stations and approaches thereto, in and from the Town of Greenwich, to join the Railway authorized by the Company's Act of 1865, at a point to the eastward of Conduit-lane, in the parish of Greenwich.

That by the same Bill it is proposed to take power to abandon the line of railway from Greenwich to Charlton authorized by the Company's said Act of 1865.

That your Memorialists, as Representatives of the Ratepayers in the Greenwich District, are most desirous for the interest of such Ratepayers, and especially of those in the parish of Greenwich, that the line of railway proposed to be authorized by the said Bill in order to connect the Towns of Greenwich and Woolwich should be formed in the manner stated in the said Bill, and described in the Plans to which it refers.

That your Memorialists are led to believe from communications they have received that the Company, notwithstanding their application to Parliament for authority to form the line of railway mentioned in the said Clause 5 of this present Bill, are more desirous of abandoning the line of railway authorized by their Act of 1865 than to form the new line they are now applying for.

That your Memorialists being most anxious to support the views and interests of the Ratepayers in their district, which will be seriously prejudiced if the Company should fail to obtain the sanction of Parliament to the said new line of railway in and from Greenwich, and the line of railway authorized by their said Act of 1865 should be abandoned, as now proposed by the said Bill are induced to hope that the Metropolitan Board of Works, who are at all times willing to lend their assistance in support of the interest of the Ratepayers in this and all other parts of the Metropolis, will assist your Memorialists and their constituents by petitioning the House of Lords, and using their powerful influence in support of the line of Railway between Greenwich and Woolwich now applied for, and especially to prevent the abandonment of the line of railway between those towns authorized by the South-Eastern Railway Company's said Act of 1865.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to assist them in the above matter, and will at once petition the House of Lords to be heard in the Committee of their Lordships' House on the said Bill, so as to attain the object which your Memorialists have in view.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

L. S.

The Memorial having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

The Solicitor, in reply to a question, stated that he had prepared a Petition against the Bill with a view to protecting the works of the Board and carrying out the views expressed in the Memorial from the Greenwich District Board, and he laid before the Board the Petition accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Newton—That the Memorial be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with power to take action thereon, that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the Petition against the Bill prepared by the Solicitor, and now presented, and that the same be presented to the House of Lords this day; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

9. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 22nd February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 19th February, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—					
General	..	540,329 9 11	319,184 2 2	..	221,145 7 9
Fire Brigade	4,467 18 11	..	2,957 14 7	7,425 13 6	..
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	2,977 4 6	..	..	2,977 4 6
Victoria Park Approach	4,061 5 2	..	..	4,061 5 2	..
Finsbury Park	14,316 7 8	..	..	14,316 7 8	..
Southwark Park	8,928 16 2	..	..	8,928 16 2	..
Whitechapel Improvement	..	7,247 8 4	549 13 4	..	6,697 15 0
Holborn Improvement	..	305 3 6	..	..	305 3 6
Kensington Improvement	..	6,533 9 0	126 0 0	..	6,407 9 0
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	17,167 18 7	9,844 14 8	..	7,323 3 11
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	8,500 0 0	..	198 13 8	8,698 13 8	..
Park Lane Improvement	1,786 2 2	..	..	1,786 2 2	..
Chelsea Embankment	832 14 11	..	..	832 14 11	..
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,438 2 1	..	..	1,438 2 1
Consolidated Loans Fund	..	6,857 19 7	..	..	6,857 19 7
£	42,893 5 0	584,356 15 6	332,860 18 5	46,049 13 3	254,652 5 4
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	42,893 5 0	..	..	46,049 13 3
	..	541,463 10 6	..	..	208,602 12 1
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,862 4 9	511 15 6	..	1,350 9 3
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT—					
Thames Embankment, North	..	74,367 1 6	6,454 4 0	..	67,912 17 6
Southern Embankment	..	167,139 12 3	41 1 0	..	167,098 11 3
Mansion House Street	..	37,374 17 3	1,212 4 8	..	36,162 12 7
Metropolis Main Drainage	..	194 5 8	173 10 0	..	20 15 8
		279,075 16 8	7,880 19 8	..	271,194 17 0
Totals	..	822,401 11 11	341,253 13 7	..	481,147 18 4

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£136,880 19s. 2d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from 7th to 19th February, 1870—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.		
Rates	1,234 0 0	
European Assurance Society, *re* Hughes	525 0 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	225 4 6	
Costs of Advertisements, *re* Cattle Diseases, repaid by Smithfield Club	22 2 0	
Drain Junctions to Main Sewers	9 11 8	
Costs recovered, &c.	5 8 3	
Fees, *re* Dangerous Structures	1 7 6	
Do. ,, Building Act	1 15 0	
		2,024 8 11
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Contributions from Insurance Offices	8 15 0	
Chimney-fire Fines	40 3 6	
Watching Premises	46 0 0	
Ex-Metropolitan Fires (Attendance at)	10 6 0	
		105 4 6
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.		
Rents		82 13 9
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Rents		629 14 5
		£2,842 1 7

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £9,141 9s. 5d., be paid.

With a view to adjusting the Accounts of the Board, your Committee have had before them statements, prepared by the Accountant, showing the transfers necessary to be made in the books of the Board in connexion with the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account; the Consolidated Loans Fund; the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account; the Loan of £2,500,000; the General Account; and the several Special Accounts connected with them. One cheque only, and that upon the Thames Embankment Drawing Account at the Bank of England, will be required; the other adjustments will be effected by entries in the several account books. Your Committee accordingly recommend the Board to direct that the following adjustments in the Accounts of the Board be made—

1. In connexion with the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account—

A transfer of £30,000 from the General Account to the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account, in repayment of an advance outstanding.

A transfer of £2,010 8s. 9d. from the General Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, being the amount of dividend received on Stock invested on the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account.

A transfer of £128,621 2s. 3d. Stock (New 3 per Cents.) from the Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, this being the portion of the total investment belonging to the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account.

A transfer of £30,693 9s. 8d. from the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, making up £152,000 total transfer (reckoning the New £3 per Cent. Stock above at £92¾ per cent., or net value, £119,296 1s. 7d).

A transfer of £152,000 from the Consolidated Loans Fund to the General Account, being the amount advanced in December last towards paying off loan of £300,000.

2. In connexion with the Consolidated Loans Fund.

Transfers to the Consolidated Loans Fund.

£1,250 13s. 1d. from the General Account, for interest on Cash Balances at the London and Westminster Bank, from 30th November, 1869.

£1,144 15s. 1d. from the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account.
£177 15s. 7d. from the Whitechapel Improvement Account.
£73 13s. 10d. from the Victoria Park Approach Account.
£153 11s. 6d. from the Kensington Improvement Account.
£107 16s. 6d. from the Thames Embankment, North, Account.
£632 1s. 1d. from the Mansion House Street Account.

} For rents received between the date of the Loans Act and the establishment of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

£40,000 from the Mansion House Street Account, being the amount received from the Metropolitan District Railway Company since the passing of the Loans Act.

Transfers from the Consolidated Loans Fund—

£4,007 14s. 9d. to the General Account, in respect of discounts on prompt payment of instalments of loan of £2,500,000.

£20,062 18s. 3d. to the General Account, for instalments of debt paid away since the passing of the Loans Act.

3. A transfer of £89,362 13s. 3d. from the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account to the General Account, in repayment of advances.

4. In connexion with the loan of £2,500,000, transfers as follows from the General Account—

£35,000 to the Fire Brigade Account.
£38,800 to the Stingo Lane Improvement Account.
£5,000 to the Park Lane Improvement Account.
£5,000 to the Chelsea Embankment Account.
£15,000 to the Finsbury Park Account.
£10,000 to the Southwark Park Account.
£130,000 to the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account.

And that a cheque for £40,739 17s. 7d. be drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account accordingly.

In accordance with the Orders of the Board of the 21st of January last (No. 8), and the 28th January last (No. 5), the Chairman of the Board has paid into the Bank of England to the Loan Account of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, the cheques for £225,000 and £78,000 which were drawn at the Board on the above-mentioned dates, in favour of the Managers, being the first and second instalments of the sum of £460,000 which they are at present authorized by the Poor Law Board to borrow from the £500,000 raised by the Board on their behalf under the Loans Act of last year; and he has received the mortgage deeds securing the re-payment to the Board of the respective amounts with interest, which have been sealed by the Managers and by the Poor Law Board, and bear the receipt of the Chairman of the Asylum Board for the payment of the respective amounts, which your Committee beg to submit to the Board.

The Board, on the 21st January last (No. 3), having referred it to your Committee to consider and report as to the loss sustained by the London and Westminster Bank in consequence of their having had to keep the amounts payable to the National Debt Commissioners and the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District on deposit at call, your Committee have now to report that the amounts in question were, owing to unavoidable legal delays, kept at call for a much longer period than was at first contemplated. The sum of £500,000 payable to the National Debt Commissioners, was at call at different periods for twenty-seven days, the interest for that time, calculated at 2 per cent., would amount to £739 13s. 9d.; the sum of £225,000 to be paid to the Managers of the Asylum District was on call for forty-seven days, and the interest calculated at the same rate would be £579 5s. 6d. At the request of your Committee, the Chairman of the Board has had another interview with the Directors of the Bank on the subject; they, however, do not wish to make any claim in the matter, but to leave it entirely in the hands of the Board. Your Committee have given very careful attention to the subject, and they are of opinion that, as the circumstances referred to were quite exceptional, and as the Board receives interest from the Bank upon its current account, some consideration should be given to the Bank, and they think that the Board might properly offer the Bank a moiety of the sum of £1,318 19s. 3d., which is the total amount of interest on the sums in question, calculated as above, and they accordingly recommend—

That a cheque for £659 9s. 7d. be drawn in favour of the London and Westminster Bank, in consideration of the loss of interest which the Bank have sustained in respect of the sums of

£500,000, payable to the National Debt Commissioners, and £225,000 payable to the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District being placed on deposit at call.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board of the 11th instant (No. 57), your Committee have had before them the certificate of the Superintending Architect of the completion of the improvement effected by setting back the houses Nos. 94 and 95, Fenchurch-street, towards the cost of which the Board has agreed to contribute, and they recommend—

That a cheque for £942 be drawn in favour of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board on the 19th October, 1866, (No. 5) towards an improvement effected by the Commissioners by setting back the houses Nos. 94 and 95, Fenchurch-street.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£. s. d.
BROWN, LENOX, AND CO.—			
(3682)	Chain Slings, &c., for lifting Fly-wheels at Crossness Pumping Station, February, 1870	10 4 0	
ANNAN, D.—			
(3683)	Patent air-grooved Fire-bars, for Cremorne Pumping Station, December, 1869	23 7 6	
CLARK, A.			
(3684)	Fresh Water supplied at Crossness Pumping Station, 17th to 26th January, 1870	16 6 3	
LONDON GAS LIGHT CO.—			
(3685)	Gas supplied at Cremorne Pumping Station, Quarter ending 31st December, 1869	7 13 6	
WEST HAM GAS CO.—			
(3686)	Gas supplied to Lamps on Bridge over the Northern Outfall Sewer at Stratford, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	5 5 0	
LANDER AND BEDELLS—			
(3687)	Professional Charges, *re* Hughes	8 10 0	
WITNESSES' CHARGES, *re* BARKING INQUIRY—			
(3688)	Odling, Dr. W.	£296 2 0	
(3689)	Miller, Professor	149 2 0	
(3690)	Olier, I. A. D.	5 5 0	
(3691)	Hubert, J.	3 0 0	
(3692)	Marsden, W. J.	2 2 0	
(3693)	Groves, J.	1 10 0	
		——— 457 1 0	
MCDOUGALL, J., Surveyor—			
(3694)	Travelling Expenses, for self and men, January, 1870	2 8 4	
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—			
(3695)	Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £50,000, due 26th February, 1870	2,584 12 9	
WOODROFFE, M.—			
(3696)	Half Year's Annuity (less tax) due 4th March, 1870	11 5 3	
		———	3,126 13 7

FIRE BRIGADE.

HATFIELD, J. M.—			
(2383)	Repairs at Regent Street Station, November, 1869	7 7 6	
HILL AND CO.—			
(2384)	Lamp-post, &c., for Bow Station, February, 1870	3 8 0	
BROWN, H.—			
(2385)	Lamp for Bow Station, January, 1870	3 9 0	
RIGBY, E., AND CO.—			
(2386)	Bill for Brushes, &c., January, 1870	195 1 6	
	Carried forward	£209 6 0	3,126 13 7

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	209 6 0	3,126 13 7
SMITH, J., AND Co.—			
(2387) Stationery, Books, &c., Quarter ending Christmas, 1869		58 19 1	
PROFESSIONAL CHARGES in connection with damage to the "Avoca" Steamship by Steam Float—			
(2388) Harrington, T.	£5 5 0		
(2389) Pile and Co.	5 5 0		
		10 10 0	
NEW RIVER COMPANY—			
(2390) One Year's Ground Rent (less tax) of site of Station, Clerkenwell, due Christmas, 1869		2 18 9	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—			
(2391) Repairs, &c., at sundry Stations—			
Quarter ending Lady-day, 1868	£63 8 7		
,, Midsummer, ,, ...	60 3 11		
,, Michaelmas, ,, ...	45 4 2		
,, Christmas, ,, ...	92 12 2		
,, Lady-day, 1869	116 11 2		
,, Midsummer, ,, ...	15 12 3		
,, Michaelmas, ,, ...	58 0 6		
		451 12 9	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(2392) Repairs, &c., at sundry Stations—			
Quarter ending Midsummer, 1869	£74 9		
,, Michaelmas, ,, ...	6 9 1		
,, Christmas, ,, ...	14 11 11		
		95 10 9	
			828 17 4
FINSBURY PARK.			
BIRON, R. J.—			
(167) Counsel's Fee, *re* Wing		2 4 6	
PARKER, FIELD, AND SONS—			
(168) Constables' Truncheons, November, 1869..		1 4 0	
			3 8 6
SOUTHWARK PARK.			
PARKER, FIELD, AND SONS—			
(208) Constables' Truncheons, November, 1869		1 4 0	
JENRICK AND MORGAN—			
(209) Gas-pipes and Fittings for Lodge, January, 1870		8 10 0	
BECK, REV. E. J.—			
(210) Half Year's Tithe Rent-charge, due 1st October, 1869		17 3 4	
			26 17 4
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.			
MARSHALL AND MAXWELL, Contractors—			
(600) Further on account of new Street in extension of the Commercial Road, from Back Church Lane to High Street, Whitechapel— Contract No. 153		1,750 0 0	
PLUMPTON, R. J., Collector—			
(601) Balance of Land Tax for the Year ending Lady-day, 1870		2 11 6	
			1,752 11 0
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.			
CROCKETT, W., Contractor—			
(5) Further on account of Putney Boundary Sewers—Contract No. 140			134 0 0
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
FOSTER, C. N., Contractor—			
(15) Further on account of Sheds and Waiting-rooms for Westminster, Charing Cross, and Waterloo Steamboat Piers—Contract No. 91	£250 0 0		
(16) Further on account of York Gate Landing Stairs, and Steps by Westminster Steamboat Pier—Contract No. 135..	136 13 0		
		386 13 0	
CHARTERED GAS CO.—			
(17) Gas supplied to Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending 31st December, 1869	£15 2 9		
LONDON GAS LIGHT CO.—			
(18) Gas supplied to Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	10 4 5		
Carried forward ..	£25 7 2	386 13 0	5,872 7 9

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	£25	7 2	386 13 0	5,872 7 9
EQUITABLE GAS LIGHT CO.—					
(19)	Gas supplied to Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	43	17 6		
				69 4 8	
					455 17 8
MANSION HOUSE STREET.					
COMMISSIONERS OF SEWERS OF THE CITY OF LONDON—					
(25)	Charges in respect of Premises, No. 8, Pancras Lane			2 2 0	
RATES AND TAXES FOR PROPERTIES TAKEN—					
(26)	Miller, R., Collector	£177	11 11		
(27)	Alford, W. S., Vestry Clerk	76	4 0		
(28)	Greer, J., Collector	64	10 0		
(29)	Drysdale, D., ,, ...	11	14 8		
(30)	Lott & Rogers, Receivers	2	10 0		
				332 10 7	
					334 12 7
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT.					
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—					
(3)	*General*—				
	Weekly Wages—				
	Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870 ..	£566	9 1		
	Clerks of Works' Travelling Expenses, to 31st December, 1869	30	4 5		
	Compensation for Floodings in Poplar	10	0 0		
	Rates, Taxes, and Gas—				
	For Premises used for Drainage Purposes	19	8 11		
	,, Gas-meter Testing-houses ..	10	8 5		
	Petty Cash Payments—8th to 21st February, 1870	105	1 5		
				741 12 3	
	Fire Brigade—				
	Weekly Wages, (Draughtsman)—				
	Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870 ..	£5	0 0		
	Ditto, (Firemen)—				
	Week ending 12th Feb. £512 13 0				
	,, 19th ,, 511 15 6				
		1,024	8 6		
	Rates, Taxes, and Gas, for sundry Stations	237	18 0		
	Foremen's Expenses, January, 1870—				
	Expenses at Fires .. £183 11 9				
	Incidentals 72 11 5				
		256	3 2		
	Incidental Expenses at Chief Station— January, 1870	10	13 7		
	Sundry small Accounts, for Repairs at Stations, &c.	7	17 7		
	Expenses incurred in recovering Chimney-fire Penalties, 3rd January to 14th February, 1870	35	16 6		
	Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Three Weeks to 19th February, 1870 ..	4	13 0		
	Superannuation Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service.. ..	5	18 0		
		1,588	8 4		
	Whitechapel Improvement—				
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870 ..	6	6 0		
	Carried forward	£2,336	6 7	..	6,662 18 0

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward .. £2,336 6 7	..	6,662 18 0
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—Continued.		
Stingo Lane Improvement—		
Special Jury Expenses, *re* Cox 33 6 6		
Finsbury Park—		
Special Jury Expenses, *re* Wing 14 14 0		
Chelsea Embankment—		
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870 .. 8 3 0	2,392 10 1	
THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
(4) *Thames Embankment, North*—		
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870 .. 20 6 0		
Southern Embankment—		
Income Tax on Rents received 0 6 4		
Mansion House Street—		
Reed, E. J.—Court Fees for respiting Appeals, October, 1869 .. .. 1 1 0	21 13 4	
METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
(2,464) Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th February, 1870, (part) 20 15 8		
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
(6) Balance of the above 43 12 4	64 8 0	2,478 11 5
	TOTAL ..	£9,141 9 5

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
THOS. J. WHITE,
A. N. SHAW,
G. P. MEADEN,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

The Report having been read and received,

Mr. Dalton called attention to the sum of £2,584 12s. 9d. inserted in the foregoing list of payments for interest on the Loan from the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society, and stated that of that amount the sum of £1,666 13s. 4d. was in respect of an instalment of the Loan, and should be drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund Account, and that the remainder (£917 19s. 5d.) was for the half-year's interest on the balance of the Loan, and should be drawn on the General Account.

Resolved—That the cheques be drawn in the manner suggested.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee amounting in the whole to £9,141 9s. 5d., be paid.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, with the exception of the amounts of £451 12s. 9d. and £95 10s. 9d., recommended in favour of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, and Mr. J. Nicholson respectively, be paid, and that the Accounts to which those amounts apply be referred back to the Sub-Committee, appointed by the Works and General Purposes Committee to investigate the subject of General Contract Accounts.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—13.

Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Roche, C. M., Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Silas Taylor.

Against the Amendment—17.

Adams, B. H., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.
Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Deputy Thompson, E. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Dalton.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved**—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £9,141 9s. 5d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

A question having arisen as to the liability of the Board with regard to the payment of Rates in respect of premises taken down for the purposes of the new Street to the Mansion House,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the Solicitor do report thereon.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the following adjustments of Accounts be made in the Books of the Board, viz.—

1. In connection with the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account—
   A transfer of £30,000 from the General Account to the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account, in repayment of an advance outstanding.

   A transfer of £2,010 8s. 9d. from the General Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, being the amount of dividend received on Stock invested on the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account.

   A transfer of £128,621 2s. 3d. Stock (New 3 per Cents.) from the Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, being the portion of the total investment belonging to the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account.

   A transfer of £30,693 9s. 8d. from the Southwark and Westminster Communication Account to the Consolidated Loans Fund, making up £152,000 total transfer (reckoning the New £3 per Cent. Stock above at £92¾ per cent., or net value £119,296 1s. 7d.)

   A transfer of £152,000 from the Consolidated Loans Fund to the General Account, being the amount advanced from that Account in December last towards paying off the Loan of £300,000, obtained from the Bank of England for the purposes of the Southwark and Westminster Communication.

2. In connection with the Consolidated Loans Fund—
   Transfers to the Consolidated Loans Fund—
   £1,250 13s. 1d. from the General Account, for interest on the Cash Balances of the Board at the London and Westminster Bank, from 30th November, 1869.
   £1,144 15s. 1d. from the Southwark and Westminster Communication; £177 15s. 7d. from the Whitechapel Improvement; £73 13s. 10d. from the Victoria Park Approach; £153 11s. 6d. from the Kensington Improvement; £107 16s. 6d. from the Thames Embankment, North; and £632 1s. 1d. from the Mansion House-street Accounts, in respect of rents received between the date of the Loans Act, August, 1869, and the establishment of the Consolidated Loans Fund.

£40,000 from the Mansion House Street Account, being the amount received from the Metropolitan District Railway Company since the passing of the Loans Act.

Transfers from the Consolidated Loans Fund—

£4,007 14s. 9d. to the General Account, in respect of Discounts on prompt payment of instalments of the Loan of £2,500,000.

£20,062 18s. 3d. to the General Account, for Instalments of Debt paid away since the passing of the Loans Act.

3. A transfer of £89,362 13s. 3d. from the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account to the General Account, in repayment of advances made from the latter Account.

4. In connection with the Loan of £2,500,000,—transfers of the following sums from the General Account, viz.—

£35,000 to the Fire Brigade,
£38,800 to the Stingo Lane Improvement,
£5,000 to the Park Lane Improvement,
£5,000 to the Chelsea Embankment,
£15,000 to the Finsbury Park,
£10,000 to the Southwark Park, and
£130,000 to the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Accounts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £40,739 17s. 7d. be drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account in favour of the Consolidated Loans Fund in respect of the sums of £107 16s. 6d. and £632 1s. 1d. received for rents of property in connection with the Thames Embankment, North, and Mansion House Street, and of the sum of £40,000 received from the Metropolitan District Railway Company; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Mr. Dalton stated that it would not be necessary to draw a cheque in favour of the London and Westminster Bank for loss of interest, as recommended by the Committee, but that the arrangement proposed by them, if approved by the Board, could be carried out on the settlement of the usual half-yearly interest Account between the Board and the Bank.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the sum of £659 9s. 7d. be allowed to the London and Westminster Bank in the settlement of their usual half-yearly interest account with the Board in consideration of the loss of interest the Bank have sustained in consequence of the sums of £500,000 payable to the National Debt Commissioners, and £225,000 payable to the Metropolitan Asylum District Board having been placed on deposit at call.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a Cheque for £942 be drawn in favour of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board on the 19th October, 1866, (No. 5), towards an improvement effected by the Commissioners by setting back the houses Nos. 94 and 95, Fenchurch-street; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

10. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 21st February, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments in connection with the Improvements now in progress.

Whitechapel Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Hawkins—		
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Conveyance		23 10 0
Carried forward ..		£23 10 0

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..		23 10 0
Stingo Lane Improvement.		
Re Wright—		
Fuller and Fuller—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ..	11 0 0	
Re Hewlett—		
Hewlett, James—		
Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 4, Stingo Lane ..	275 0 0	
Interest thereon £9 3 1		
less Tax 0 3 9		
	8 19 4	
Prickett, George—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ..	9 9 0	
Re Taylor—		
Taylor, T. C.		
Purchase Money, Leasehold, Nos. 10 to 16, Stingo Lane	1,200 0 0	
Interest thereon £24 0 0		
less Tax 0 10 0		
	23 10 0	
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee as per Contract	20 0 0	
Re Curtis—		
Curtis, William—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 12, Stingo Lane	250 0 0	
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	9 0 0	
Walker, W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	5 5 0	
Re Schwarz—		
Schwarz, C. H.—Purchase Money, Leasehold, "Walmer Castle" Public House	4,250 0 0	
Adams, George—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	35 0 0	
Re Wharton—		
Pattison, Wigg, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	7 1 10	
Re W. Robinson—		
Robinson, William—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 15, Stingo Lane	25 0 0	
Flood, James—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	3 3 0	
Re J. Robinson—		
Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 15, Stingo Lane—		
Robinson, John £230 4 10		
Brown L. 269 15 2		
	500 0 0	
Re Brown—		
Brown, L.—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 15, Stingo Lane	225 0 0	
Flood, James—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	9 0 0	
Re Bird—		
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Conveyance	12 10 0	
		6,878 18 2
Mansion House Street.		
Lloyd, J. H.—		
Counsel's Fees, July to November, 1869	202 10 6	
Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited—		
Hire of Arbitration Rooms, &c., *re* Graveyards	10 11 0	
Cooke, J. and J. W.—		
Shorthand Notes, *re* Medus	10 12 6	
Carried forward ..	£223 14 0	6,902 8 2

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..	223 14 0	6,902 8 2
Philbrick, F. A.—		
Counsel's Fees, October and November, 1869	13 9 6	
Biron, R. J.—		
Counsel's Fees, *re* Medus	3 10 6	
Coombs, W. H.—		
Witness's charges, *re* Graveyards	5 5 0	
		245 19 0
		£7,148 7 2

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. S. Wyand, applying for permission to erect a house, in lieu of forming an entrance to mews, over a portion of the Middle Level Sewer, Carlton-road, Notting-hill. On the 15th October last (No. 13), the Board upon the recommendation of the Building Act Committee sanctioned the application of Mr. Wyand to form a mews at the rear of his houses in Carlton-road with an entrance only from that road, upon condition that he did not allow any of the stables to be used as dwelling houses. Mr. Wyand objecting to this condition, now proposes to abandon the mews and to attach the ground for the purposes of gardens to the houses fronting Carlton-road as shown on the Plan accompanying his application, and further to erect a house upon the site of the intended entrance to the mews (also shown upon the Plan), but as the Middle Level Sewer passes under this site, he asks the Board's sanction to the erection. Your Committee have ascertained from the Engineer that the intended mode of building will not injuriously affect the Sewer, and they recommend that the requisite sanction be given, on condition that the foundations be put in under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Board's Officers, and that Mr. Wyand do enter into the usual agreement reserving to the Board all their rights in the Sewer.

Your Committee have further to report that their attention has been directed to the question of the appointment of Gas Examiners to test the gas supplied by the Imperial and South Metropolitan Gas Companies, under the Acts of these two Companies passed in the last Session. The Acts provide that the Board shall appoint, and always keep appointed a Gas Examiner for each testing place, who shall test daily the illuminating power and purity of the gas supplied by the Companies. It appears that in the district supplied by the Imperial Gas Company, there will be three testing stations, one for each manufactory; for the South Metropolitan Gas Company there will be but one testing place. It will, therefore, be necessary for the Board to appoint four Examiners. Your Committee have considered the question of the salary to be paid to these officers, and, having regard to the nature of the duties, which have all to be discharged in the evening, and to the qualifications required, your Committee are of opinion that £80 a year would be a sufficient remuneration. With regard to the period at which the Gas Examiners would be able to enter upon their duties, the Gas Referees stated in a letter dated the 11th November last, that the testing stations would probably not be ready for certifying for at least four months. As this is now more than three months ago, the time would appear to be drawing near when the testing places will be ready. A further letter has been addressed to the Referees, requesting them to state as nearly as possible the precise time when the places will be ready. In the meantime, as it is desirable that the testing operations should be commenced as soon as the certificates of the Referees are received, your Committee beg to recommend the Board to issue advertisements inviting candidates for the four appointments on the terms above mentioned. It might be arranged that the appointments should date from the period at which the Examiners enter upon their duties. This might be done probably without inconvenience to the gentlemen appointed, inasmuch as the work has all to be done in the evening, and it would not interfere with any duties which they have to perform during the day. As it may be necessary for the Board hereafter to take into consideration the question of the establishment of some general control and supervision over the various Examiners, the appointments should be subject to such regulations and control as the Board may from time to time direct.

Your Committee have had under consideration an application from the three Gas Meter Inspectors, Messrs. Airey, Dethridge, and Mills, for remuneration for their services during the past year in testing petroleum. It will be remembered that the Board, on the 22nd January, 1869, directed that the inspectors should be employed to test petroleum, and that they should be remunerated at the end of each year, according to the amount of work done. It appears that they have together made 1,612 tests during the past year, and that this has necessitated their devoting a considerable amount of time to the work after their usual hours. Your Committee, therefore, having regard to these facts, beg to recommend the Board to grant to each of them the sum of £25 for his services during the year 1869.

In connection with this subject, the attention of your Committee has been drawn to the fact, that there appears to be no provision in the Petroleum Acts that the Board should test petroleum. All that the Board are required to do is to grant licenses to persons to store and sell it; and it has been suggested, as a question for consideration, whether the testing of oil and the inspection of premises should not be discontinued, as a duty which does not devolve upon the Board, and which involves considerable expense. Your Committee, on a consideration of this question, are of opinion that, so far as the testing of petroleum is concerned, the suggestions may very properly be adopted; and they recommend that the testing be discontinued, and that instructions to that effect be given to the inspectors.

Your Committee have considered the letter referred to them on the 4th instant (No. 41), from the Gas Referees, requesting to be furnished with a duplicate key of the testing station in Arundell-street, in order that they may inspect it whenever they think proper, and ascertain whether the apparatus is in good order. The Act provides that the Referees shall inspect and certify the testing stations from time to time. Your Committee are of opinion, however, that it is not necessary that for this purpose that they should have a duplicate key. They have, accordingly, given directions to the Gas Examiner to admit the Referees, and to give them every facility for inspection, &c., during reasonable hours, and have informed the Referees that such instructions have been given.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the state of health of Mr. Britton, Surveyor in the Architect's Department, who has been incapacitated by ill health from attending to his duties for some weeks past. Attention having been directed to this case, your Committee requested the Building Act Committee to report their views on the matter; and that Committee state that they have ascertained from the Superintending Architect that certificates have been received from the medical gentlemen attending Mr. Britton, to the effect that he is suffering from rheumatism to an extent which confines him to bed, and giving but little hope of his being able to resume his in-door duties for a considerable time to come; also, that there appears but little reason to believe that Mr. Britton will ever be again able to resume his out-of-door duties. The Building Act Committee further express an opinion, that it is a matter of very great importance that no delay should take place in dealing with the many applications under the Building and Local Management Acts, and that a duly qualified officer should be at once appointed to assist the Architect in making the necessary surveys and reports in these cases. Your Committee fully concur in the views entertained by the Building Act Committee, and accordingly recommend—

> That a competent Officer be appointed to perform the duties hitherto discharged by Mr. Britton, Surveyor in the Architect's Department, at a commencing salary of £250 per annum, rising by annual instalment of £10 until it reaches £300; and that advertisements be issued inviting candidates for the office.

With regard to Mr. Britton, your Committee instructed the Medical Officer of the Fire Brigade of the district in which he resides to see him and report on his condition; and your Committee propose, on the receipt of this further information, to report their views on the subject to the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN SAVAGE,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. O. HALL,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application of Mr. S. Wyand for permission to erect a house, in lieu of forming an entrance to mews, over a portion of the Middle Level Sewer, Carlton-road, Notting-hill, be granted, on condition that the foundations of the house be put in under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board; that Mr. Wyand do enter into the usual agreement, reserving to the Board all their rights in the sewer, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary agreement.

Read a letter as follows—

Gas Referees' Office, 23, New Street, Spring Gardens,

London, S.W., 21st February, 1870.

Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, I am directed by the Referees to inform you that they have inquired of the Engineer employed by the Imperial and South Metropolitan Gas Companies to fit up the testing-stations, when they will be completed, and he informs them that the testing-station of the South Metropolitan Company, and also those for the Fulham and St. Pancras Works of the Imperial Company will be ready for the Referees' inspection the end of next month. The testing-station for the gas manufactured at the Haggerstone Works of the Imperial Company will not be ready till later, owing to the inability of the Company to procure suitable premises, which has necessitated the building of a house for that purpose.

The following are the localities in which the testing-stations are situated—

Imperial Company (Fulham), Oakley Square, Chelsea.
,, ,, (St. Pancras), Camden Street, Camden Town
,, ,, (Haggerstone), Graham Street, Dalston.
South Metropolitan Company, Hill's Street, Peckham.

(I am, &c.,

(Signed) T. FOSTER, Secretary.

John Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That four Gas Examiners be appointed to test the gas supplied by the Imperial Gas and South Metropolitan Gas Companies, respectively; that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the four appointments, and that the salary be fixed at £80 a year.

After discussion the motion was, on the suggestion of Mr. Richardson, and by leave of the Board, modified as follows—That four Gas Examiners be appointed to test the gas supplied by the Imperial Gas and South Metropolitan Gas Companies; that the salary be fixed at £80 a year, and that it be referred back to the Committee to take the necessary steps for giving effect to this resolution.

The motion having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

The Chairman stated that he had received a letter from the three Meter Inspectors relative to the recommendation made by the Committee, with respect to the amount of their remuneration for testing Petroleum, and expressing their wish that the Committee would re-consider it.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do grant to each of their Gas Meter Inspectors, Messrs. Airey, Dethridge, and Mills the sum of £25 as a remuneration for their services in testing Petroleum during the year 1869; that Cheques be now drawn; and Cheques were drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the testing of Petroleum be discontinued, and that the Gas Meter Inspectors be instructed accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That a competent Officer be appointed to perform the duties hitherto discharged by Mr. T. A. Britton, Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department, at a commencing salary of £250 per annum, increasing by annual instalments of £10 until it reaches £300; and that advertisements be issued inviting candidates for the office.

11. Mr. Westerton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 23th February, 1870.

Your Committee have had before them an application from the Inclosure Commissioners for a payment of £100, as a security against costs, in connection with the Board's scheme for the preservation of Blackheath. It will be remembered that a similar payment was made in the case of Tooting Beck, the cheque having been drawn by the Board on the 8th October last. The payment being sanctioned by the provisions of the Metropolitan Commons Act appears to your Committee to be in the regular course, and they recommend that a cheque for the sum of £100 be drawn in favour of the Inclosure Commissioners, on the General Account of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That a cheque for £100 be drawn in favour of the Inclosure Commissioners as security for costs which may be incurred by them in carrying out the proceedings with reference to the scheme for the preservation of Blackheath, and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

12. Mr. Fowler, in the absence of the Mr. Bidgood the Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th February, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, viz.—

DATE OF REFERENCE.	APPLICATION.
10th December, 1869, (No. 53.)	Mr. E. Zuccani and thirty-five other owners, &c., of property in Union-street, and Union-street East, Spitalfields, requesting the Board to incorporate those streets under the name Brushfield-street.
11th December, 1868, (No. 59.)	Vestry of Islington, suggesting alterations in the names of various streets in the Parish.

Your Committee have received reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected plans prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the line of thoroughfare between Bishopsgate-street and Commercial-street, now known as Union-street and Union-street East, Spitalfields, be re-named Brushfield-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in that portion of the Holloway-road between the Great Northern Railway Bridge and Seven Sisters-road, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered in continuation of that part already dealt with.

All which your Committee beg to submit,

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. STUART BARKER.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler seconded by Mr. Runtz—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Union-street, and Union-street East, in the City of London, the Old Artillery Ground, and the Parish of Christ Church, Spitalfields, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1012, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 79, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 84, to those on the south-side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Union-street, Union-street East, and any other name or names now in use in the line of thoroughfare, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Brushfield-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London and the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Runtz—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of Holloway-road, between the Great Northern Railway Bridge and Seven Sisters-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1013, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan the odd numbers, commencing with 305 and ending with 401, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side; and the even numbers, commencing with 252 and ending with 456, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the Railway Bridge; that the names Holloway-place, Loraine-place, Warlter's-buildings, Lansdowne-place, Holloway-terrace, Wellington-place, Pleasant-row, Pear Tree-terrace, John's-terrace, Loraine-terrace, Montrose-villas, Lime-terrace, Harriett-terrace, Dorset-terrace, Prospect-place, Railway-place, Phœbe-place, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned part of Holloway-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Holloway-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th February, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the Board of Works for the Poplar District.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
		POPLAR.		
Diversion of Sewers between Preston New-road and Brunswick-street, Poplar	About 65 65	2′ 0″ barl. 18 inch.	Brick. Pipe.	As these diversions, into the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, of the upper portion of the Old Blackwall Main, by means of a 2ft. brick barrel drain in cement, shown at A on Plan, and the upper part of the Old District Sewer, shown at B on Plan, by means of an 18 inch pipe, take but a very small quantity of drainage, the work required can be sanctioned. That in connection with the Board's line being carried out under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board in all respects, and at the sole cost of the Great Eastern Railway Company. That in connection with the District Sewer for the further action of the District Board in the usual manner.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Poplar District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th February, 1870, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 11th instant, (No. 39) on a letter from the Vauxhall Bridge Company, calling attention to the present incomplete condition of certain roads and works in and near various thoroughfare approaches to the bridge, and which, they alleged, had occasioned a diminution of their tolls, and requesting to be informed when the works in Abingdon-street and Millbank-road will be completed; stating that the works referred to were those of the portion of the Low Level Sewer now being constructed under Messrs. Hiscox and Williams's contract; that the state of the weather and other adverse causes had tended to delay their progress, but that the Contractors had used, and had promised to continue to use, every exertion to get the works out of hand at the earliest possible moment; that the works in Abingdon-street they anticipated would, weather permitting, be completed in a fortnight, and those in Millbank-street by the end of next month, and recommending that the Company be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to the Vauxhall Bridge Company.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th February, 1870, recommending that a new iron grating be provided and fixed over the Penstock Chamber at the Earl Sewer Outlet, Rotherhithe; that the chain gearing be removed, and that the work be executed under the General Contract at an estimated cost of £12.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

16. The Solicitor reported that the North London Tramways and London Street Tramways Bills stood for second reading on the 4th March next; that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill stood for second reading on the 3rd March next; that he had not yet been able to obtain a copy; that the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment Bill stood for second reading on the 11th March next, but that the Bill had not yet been printed; that the Thames Navigation Bill stood for second reading on Monday next; and that the Belgrave Market Bill had been abandoned by the promoters.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Petition against the Thames Navigation Bill.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Petition, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. The Solicitor presented a copy of the "London Gazette," of the 15th instant, containing an Order in Council revoking the Order of the 10th August last as to the part of the port of Hull within which foreign cattle might be landed for slaughter, and a further Order defining the part of the said port for such purpose.

19. The Solicitor reported that no further hearing of the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath, had taken place, but that he believed it would come before the Master of the Rolls on Monday next.

20. The Solicitor reported that, Mr. Locke King, M.P., having asked the First Commissioner of Works why the subway at the foot of Westminster Bridge had not been connected with the Embankment or Cannon-row, and whether it was now intended to be kept for the sole benefit and exclusive use of the Metropolitan Railway, Mr. Ayrton had replied that owing to arrangements between the Government and the Metropolitan Railway the subway projected some years ago from Parliament-street to Palace-yard could not be completed as originally proposed, but that he had been in communication with this Board, and had urged upon them the propriety of connecting the Subway with the Embankment.

21. The Solicitor presented a copy of a Bill brought into the House of Commons by Mr. Locke, to amend the Acts relating to Smoke Nuisances in the Metropolis, so far as they relate to bakehouses.

22. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Cowper-Temple had introduced a Bill to provide for the management, &c., of Suburban Commons and Waste Lands near Cities and Towns in England, which had been read a first time, and ordered for second reading on the 9th March, but that he had not yet been able to obtain a copy of the Bill.

23. The Solicitor reported that the House of Commons had, on the motion of Mr. Goschen, appointed a Select Committee to inquire and report whether it is expedient that the charges now locally imposed on the occupiers of rateable property should be divided between the owners and occupiers, and what changes in the constitution of the local bodies now administering rates should follow such division; and that, on the motion of Mr. Corrance, the House had instructed the Committee to inquire further into the proper classification of rates with a view to determine their proper incidence upon the owners or occupiers of such rateable property.

24. The Solicitor reported that the motion by Mr. Harvey Lewis, for postponing for six months the second reading of the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill had been rejected and that the Bill had been read a second time and referred to Committee.

25. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

26. The Solicitor reported that, with reference to the subject of the rating of Public Buildings, Major Dickson, M.P., had asked the President of the Poor Law Board whether, in the measure preparing to extend the incidence of rating, it was intended to make properties used for public purposes assessable to local rates, and that Mr. Goschen had in reply stated that a provision would be inserted in the Bill for extending the incidence of rating, to make properties used for public purposes assessable to local rates.

27. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Shaw Lefevre had given notice to introduce a Bill to facilitate the construction and to regulate the working of Tramways.

28. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Samuda had asked the Vice-President of the Council if, before the Government approved of the site that might be selected by the Corporation of the City of London for the Foreign Cattle Market, means would be taken to ascertain the views of those interested in the trade, and to insure a sufficient extent of accommodation being provided, and that Mr. Forster had replied to the effect that it was the duty of the Corporation to make a waterside market for foreign animals under the approval of the Privy Council; that a site had been named, and that the Privy Council saw no reason to object to it, provided that the area was sufficient to meet the requirements of the market and afford the necessary wharf accommodation.

29. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Dodds had given notice of his intention to ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill with reference to leases or other documents similar to that which in the case of "Boulton *v.* Commissioners of Inland Revenue" it had been held to require the stamp duty of thirty-five shillings in addition to the ordinary lease stamp, and whether it was the intention of the Government during the present Session to introduce a Bill for consolidating and amending the stamp laws.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the Chairman be requested to communicate with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the recent decision of the Court of Exchequer with reference to the Stamp Duty on Leases, and to represent to them the necessity of their introducing a Bill to protect the validity of all Leases granted before the case of Boulton *v.* The Commissioners of Inland Revenue was decided.

30. Read a Report as follows—

THE QUEEN *v.* DONOVAN—THE QUEEN *v.* DENHO.

In these two cases summonses were taken out against these defendants for sweeping mud through an iron grating communicating with the Middle Level Sewer in the Bethnal Green-road, opposite the "White Horse" public-house, on the 3rd February instant., at half-past 2 o'clock in the morning. The summonses were heard at Worship-street on Saturday, the 12th instant, and the Magistrate convicted both defendants, and fined them 5s. each or five days' imprisonment.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

31. The Solicitor reported that the copy of Mr. Bazalgette's Report and the correspondence between the Board and the First Commissioner of Works, &c., with reference to the Metropolitan Railway and other schemes which had been ordered by the House of Commons to be printed was not yet ready.

32. Read a Report as follows—

25th February, 1870.

Re Pleasant Row, Walworth.

I have served penal notices upon Mr. George Beard and Mr. John Abbott, and I would suggest that the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, with power to take any further steps which may seem to be expedient.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee accordingly.

33. The Solicitor presented copies of petitions by the Marquis of Salisbury and the South Eastern Railway Company against the Thames Embankment, North, Bill.

Resolved—That the said petitions be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bill referred to.

34. The Solicitor presented a notice of action from Mr. Cockle, on behalf of Mr. Bolton, for damage to premises in Bickley-row, Plough-road, Rotherhithe, by sewerage works.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration in connection with the former references and with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

35. The Solicitor presented copy of a Writ issued by Mr. Thirst against the Board.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do enter an appearance to the said writ and do take all necessary steps for protecting the interests of the Board.

36. The Solicitor reported that the Queen had complied with the prayer of the Address to Her for an inquiry with a view to the preservation of Epping Forest as an open space for the recreation and enjoyment of the public. The Solicitor further reported that a question in connection with the subject had been put in the House of Commons to the Prime Minister, by Sir Charles Dilke, and that Mr. Gladstone had replied thereto to the effect that he would prefer at the present moment not to enter into a discussion on any point of detail connected with the question.

37. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Dimsdale, M.P., had given notice to ask the Secretary to the Board of Trade, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce any measure during the present Session for the prevention of the pollution of Rivers by Sewage..

38. The Solicitor laid before the Board notices of trial in the actions brought against the Board by Mr. R. Warren and Mrs. Gallon.

Resolved—That the said notices be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

39. Read a Report as follows—

A claim has been made on the Board in respect of an injury to a barge at Deptford Creek. I have conferred with the District Engineer, and with him have examined the locality. It is a case which I have no doubt the Board will refer to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with instructions to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive.

I annex the papers.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

February 25th, 1870.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

40. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the Vestry of Bethnal Green, for permission to borrow the sum of £10,000 for paving works in the Parish, and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the

security of the General Rate leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of ten thousand pounds, in one or more sum or sums, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in the execution of certain works of paving within the said Parish. And **Whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal-green, on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in the execution of the said works of paving within the said Parish, such Loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum, and to be repaid by twenty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the Loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest on the principal sum from time to time remaining due to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. R. Voss, Clerk to the Vestry, dated 21st February, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same,

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Bethnal Green; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

41. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 11th instant (No. 8), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Fitzroy-road	St. Pancras.
Highgate-road, &c.	do.
Loughborough Park-road, &c.	Lambeth.
Loughborough Park, &c.	do.
World's End-passage, &c.	Chelsea.
Manor-road	Greenwich.
Johnson-street	St. George-in-the-East.
Bostock-street	do.
Old Gravel-lane, &c.	do. and Limehouse.
Green Bank	do. and do.
Park-road, &c., Peckham	Camberwell.
Park-terrace	Fulham.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

42. Bermondsey—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Noakes and Wood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse at No. 144 Spa-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

43. Camberwell—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Berriman and Son, on behalf of Mr. Drake, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house with bay windows at Rye-hill, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Camberwell—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace Alexander, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to a row of houses in Cemetery-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the soffits of the proposed eaves be covered with Portland Cement, one inch thick, and that the party walls be corbelled out to break the continuity of the eaves.

45. Camberwell—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Colls and Sons, for the consent of the Board to the construction of barge boards and facia to the eaves at Lime Cottage, Grove-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

46. Chelsea—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Slaughter, on behalf of Mr. Wildman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to a coach-house at the rear of No. 12, Lowndes-square, abutting on William Mews, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the proposed addition be covered with incombustible material, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. City of London—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. H. and J. D. Mathews, on behalf of Mr. King, for the consent of the Board to the construction of pent roofs over the loopholes on the fourth floors of two warehouses on the west side of Dowgate-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the applicants do obtain the consent of the City Commissioners of Sewers, to the projection.

48. Holborn, &c.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of the Rev. W. T. T. Webber, for the approval by the Board of an amended design for a wooden hood and a covering for a bell to be placed over the entrance door of the house No. 4, Red Lion-square.

Resolved—That the construction of the wooden hood be sanctioned, but that the finial erection thereon for the support of the bell be not granted.

49. Plumstead—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Joyce, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of his house, No. 8, Durham-place, High-road, Lee, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed that of the shops already brought out in Durham-place, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Shoreditch.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles F. Sayer, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops on the forecourts of seven houses in Queen's-road, Dalston, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the shops and the existing pavement be given up and added to the footway previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the proposed shops do not exceed that of the adjoining shops, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. King, for the sanction of the Board to the shop recently erected in front of his house, No. 118, Bridge-road, West Battersea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of the application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Mills and Knight, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open shed at their premises Fountain Dock, Bermondsey Wall, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the proposed shed be constructed of iron instead of wood as proposed, and that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

53. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. H. Egg, for the consent of the Board to enclose with wood a building, formerly used as a Rope Walk, situate on ground between Wick-road and Bentham-road, South Hackney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

54. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Allen, for the consent of the Board to the re-construction of a wooden shed at the rear of Batson's-wharf, West Ferry-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

55. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Gilbert, Brenchley, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Blackman, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron covering or roof for the whole length of a narrow passage way at the premises No. 61, Church-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the plate against the main building which supports the corrugated iron roof, be properly supported, and that the works, generally, be constructed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

56. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Holland and Hannen, on behalf of Messrs. Lelen, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a Herring-Drying House and shed in Queen-street, Spitalfields, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the roofs be covered with slate, and that the supports of the open shed be constructed of brickwork instead of wood.

57. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. H. Stevens, on behalf of Mr. Willmott, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a Mews, on a piece of ground adjoining Richford-street and Serle's-place, and of the name "Astrop Mews" for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed Mews be paved throughout.

58. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Curtis, on behalf of the Haberdashers' Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of five new roads on a plot of ground adjoining New Cross-road and Hatcham-park-road, and of the frontage line proposed for houses in Cold Blow-lane, and of the names "Brocklehurst-street," "Billington-street," "Egmont-street," "Camplin-street," and "Casella-road," for the new streets

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant land between the strong and dotted lines, as shown on the plan, be given up to widen Cold Blow-lane previously to the commencement of building operations.

59. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the alteration of the levels of Balance-road, Homerton, approved by the Board on the 19th November last, (No. 51), as shown upon the sections accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted.

60. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Beckwith, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, 20 feet wide, to lead into High-street, Homerton.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

61. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on a letter and Memorial from Mr. Edwin Applegate, and others, complaining of the contemplated erection of buildings on a plot of ground in continuation of Hercules-road, and of a wall erected across that road, and requesting the Board to take steps for the removal of the wall, for the opening of a thoroughfare into Holloway-road, and for preventing the erection of the proposed buildings.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

62. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Tanqueray-Willaume, Hanbury, and Tanqueray-Willaume, requesting the Board to re-consider their Order of the 21st January last (No. 68), refusing their consent to the application of Mr. Nixon, for permission to erect shops in Wandsworth-road, South Lambeth-road, and Wyvil-street.

Resolved—That the Order of the Board of the 21st January last (No. 68), be adhered to.

63. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Richard King, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house with a bay window on the east side of Plum-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

64 Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, on behalf of Earl Spencer, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of new road, and the widening of three old roads at Roehampton, and of the names, "Treville-street," "Medfield-street," and "Desmond-street," for three of such roads.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed roads adjoining Putney Heath be formed on land belonging exclusively to the applicant, and on ground not forming a portion of the Heath; and that the proposed 20-feet street be paved throughout.

65. City of London. (Southern Division). — Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Power, Surveyor of the District of the Southern Division of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board of Special Fees for certifying the removal of two chimney-breasts at No. 29, Budge-row; the fixing of an engine on the top floor of Messrs. Leaf and Company's premises, Old Change and the fixing of hot-water pipes for a steam crane and a boiler at No. 66, Upper Thames-street.

Resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive the respective Fees of £1, £1 1s., and £1 1s. for the services referred to.

66. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Turner, Surveyor of the District of East Islington, for the appointment by the Board of a Special Fee for certifying the removal of chimney-breasts in the party wall dividing the "Crown" public-house and the house adjoining it in Holloway-road.

Resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a fee of ten shillings in respect of the service referred to.

67. The Superintending Architect presented a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department,
Spring Gardens, S.W., 21st February, 1870.

METROPOLITAN BUILDING ACT, 1855.

MEMORANDUM relative to Interim Surveyorship of Lewisham District. (No. 14,743.)

MR. BROWNE, District Surveyor of Greenwich, was appointed by this Board on 4th February as Interim Surveyor of Lewisham District during the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Badger. He proceeded to give active attention to the duties, and found many matters requiring attention during the progress of works, but not many buildings likely to be finished under circumstances to entitle him to demand fees according to the statute.

Mr. Browne, therefore, desires to ask the Board to secure for him a moderate remuneration for his trouble, by passing a Resolution prior to the election, by which it might be conditionally stipulated that the new Surveyors should respectively pay to Mr. Browne, within say three months, one-half of any amount the Board might deem reasonable under the circumstances.

In some prior cases, the Board fixed sums to be paid instead of fees, and in other instances like arrangements have been made by parties.

Mr. Browne will have acted for one month, and as the average fees for three years are about £1,000, less £165 of office expenses, or nett £835, one-twelfth of that amount would be about £70, and in respect that the trouble of recovery would be saved, and that the weather has been frosty, when little external work could be done, I would consider about £50 a fair sum to be paid equally by the new Surveyors to Mr. Browne.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved.

68. CITY OF LONDON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th February, 1870, stating that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, by setting back the houses Nos. 33, 34, 35, and 36, Lombard-street, towards which the Board, on the 16th July, 1869, (No. 11), agreed to contribute the sum of £750, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Commissioners were now entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to the payment of the amount.

69. MILE END OLD TOWN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th February, 1870, stating that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, by the widening of White Horse-lane, Stepney, towards which the Board, on the 2nd October, 1863, (No. 4), agreed to contribute the sum of £1,200, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to the payment of the amount.

70. MARYLEBONE.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th February, 1870, relative to the temporary iron school sanctioned by the Board on the 11th instant (No. 53), stating that the wrong address had been given by Mr. Nicholls, in his letter of application, and that the building is to be erected in Abbey-place, St. John's Wood, and not at Bow.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the previous Order of the Board be varied, and that permission be given to erect the school at the locality now stated.

71. NEWINGTON—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th February, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Garner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 346, Walworth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop do not exceed in height that of the shop at No. 348, that the

piece of ground in front, coloured green on the Plan, be given up and added to the public footway, previously to the commencement of building operations, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

72. Holborn, &c.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th February, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Holland and Hannen, on behalf of Messrs. Jonas Brothers, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises, No. 77, High Holborn.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

73. The Clerk presented a Memorial from residents in Hamilton-road, Lower Norwood, praying the Board to order certain streets in that road to be named separately; and that a junction may be made between one of the streets in Hamilton-road and the road near the "Rosendale Arms" public house, West Dulwich.

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

74. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Chief Station, Watling-street, E.C.
London, February 22, 1870.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to request that you may be pleased to consider the subject of my salary with a view to its increase.

I joined the Board in the beginning of the year 1866 on a salary of £750 a year, out of which I have had to pay income-tax, and now, at the commencement of my fifth year of service, I find myself still on the same pay, although, as the Board is aware, my labours have increased to a very considerable extent.

My pay in the year 1865, under the late London Fire Engine Establishment, was £500 a-year, free of income-tax, and in 1869 it was £734 7s. 6d., after paying the tax, making an advance of less than 50 per cent., although the duties and responsibilities have increased out of all proportion to such a rate.

For convenience of reference I beg to enumerate the duties of the Brigade, which are entirely under my superintendence, and for which I am responsible to the Board:—

SUMMARY OF THE DUTIES OF THE METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE.

The Metropolitan Fire Brigade has at present 378 men, of whom 103 are on duty by day, and 173 by night, making a total of 276 in every 24 hours.

Keeps in order 53 stations, with 114 engines, 102 escapes, and all the hose, and other appliances.

Keeps occurrence books at all the stations, with exact entries of every circumstance which takes place, so that in cases of inquests, or other inquiries, every entry can be identified and, confirmed by sworn testimony.

Keeps up a telegraphic communication between all the stations as a check and corroboration of the entries in the several occurrence books.

Keeps up a constant system of inspection by visiting Fire Engine stations, and Fire Escape stations, at regular and irregular hours by day and night.

Gives immediate attendance in all cases of alarm, whether of chimneys or fires, and watches premises until they are cool, and all danger passed.

Makes out twice in every twenty-four hours an exact account of how every man is employed so that the responsible officers can see at a glance what men are available for Fires.

Attends police-courts, to prove cases of chimneys on fire.

Makes out requisitions for all articles required.

Inspects, tests, and issues all the supplies of hose, and other gear.

Inspects, and issues all the supplies of clothing, boots, &c., to the men.

Examines and certifies all quarterly and other accounts, and furnishes them to the Board in duplicate.

Makes out monthly returns of the condition of the Escapes, Engines, and Gear.

Makes out monthly lists of the Firemen, showing their ranks and numbers, the stations to which they are attached, and their special duties, if any.

Keeps 53 Cash-Books, with details of station disbursements, &c.

Keeps a General Cash-Book, with details of other disbursements.

Keeps 50 Horse Contractors' Books.

Keeps records in duplicate showing all attendance at Fires, with full particulars as to the number of Men, Engines, and Escapes attending, the number of Engines at work, the number of assistants employed, and other necessary details. One of these records is for the Board, and the other is for the Head-Quarter Station.

Makes out weekly lists of wages, and attends at the Board's Offices for the money.

Makes up, gets printed, and distributes the daily reports of fires.

Conducts all necessary correspondence.

Selects candidates for the service, and, after their passing the surgeon, submits recommendations concerning their appointments.

Instructs men on joining in every branch of their duties, and occasionally practises the new and old hands together.

Does the whole of the overhaul and painting of Engines and a large proportion of the repairs

Takes all Escapes to the Contractors' for repairs, and brings them away again when completed.

Does the whole of the repairs of hose, and almost the whole of the repairs of other gear.

Does a large amount of repairs and work in the way of carpentering, blacksmiths' work, and brass fitting.

Keeps up a strict system of discipline among all ranks.

Makes reports to the Fire Brigade Committee of the Metropolitan Board of Works whenever they meet, and is at all times prepared to furnish information concerning every matter connected with the extinguishing of fires in the Metropolis.

Previously to my entering the service of the Board I had confidently expected that my salary would have been about £1,250 a year, but it was intimated to me that the Board was in the habit of advancing the pay of their officials according to service and merit, and I therefore placed myself absolutely in their hands. Now, however, that I have commenced my fifth year of service without any action having been taken by the Board in the matter, I trust I shall not be deemed unreasonable in asking for a reconsideration of the subject.

In laying this application before the Board I do not hesitate to assert that, when the nature and extent of my duties are taken into consideration, I shall be found to be the lowest paid public servant in this or any other country.

I never spare myself publicly or privately in doing anything which may advance the interests of the Board in the department under my charge, and I therefore most respectfully ask for a favourable consideration of this application for such an increase of salary as the Board may think proper to grant.

I have, &c.
(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW,
Chief Officer, M. F. B.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

75. Read a letter as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth,
Vestry Hall, Kennington-Green, S., 22nd February, 1870.

WATER SUPPLY OF THE METROPOLIS.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward you copy of resolution on the above subject, passed at a Vestry Meeting held on the 17th day of February instant.

RESOLVED—That this Vestry is of opinion that the advantages resulting from the constant system of Water Supply are so great in a Sanitary point of view, when compared with the present

intermittent system, as to demand effectual legislation, whereby the great benefits already enjoyed by so many towns in Great Britain may be no longer denied to the Metropolis.

Requesting that you will be pleased to submit this communication to the Board at the next Meeting,

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. ROFFEY,

John Pollard, Esq. Vestry Clerk.

76. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. R. Ellis, Clerk to the Hackney District Board, dated 22nd February, 1870, requesting this Board to pass an Order for the re-numbering of the houses in Stamford-road, De Beauvoir Town.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

77. The Clerk reported that Mr. Clark had informed him that his name appeared in the Minutes of Friday last in the list of "Noes" on the division taken on the question as to building on the surplus land in Finsbury Park, but that he had voted with the "Ayes." The Clerk stated that he had referred to the original division lists, and found that they corresponded with the Minutes, and that Mr. Clark's name appeared in the list of "Noes," and the Board made no Order on the subject.

Adjourned until Friday, the 4th March next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 9.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **4th** day of **March,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.	Thomas Turner, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	
	Robert Freeman, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 25th February last were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Vestry of St. Luke, Old-street, and Ratepayers of adjoining Districts, introduced by Mr. Moreland, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Alfred Walker, Mr. James Toleman, Mr. Richard Moreland, Jun., Mr. J. Moreland, Mr. J. Moreland, Jun., Mr. Butt, Mr. Partrick, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Garrod, Mr. Watts, Mr. Baker, Mr. J. Walker, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Warner, Mr. Tongue, Mr. Brittian, Mr. Marham, Mr. Clitheroe, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Starkey, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Walker, Mr. Hovenden, Mr. Adams, Mr. Heard, Mr. Haskings, Mr. R. Bowman, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Emsley, Mr. C. Bowman, Mr. Frampton, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Carter, Mr. Webb, Mr. Fothergill, Mr. Bransgrove, Mr. Bevan, Mr. Peerless, Mr. Mead, Mr. A. Robinson, Mr. Hambling, Mr. Stafford Allen, and Mr. W. W. Hayne, attended the Board and presented a Memorial and Resolutions which were read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestrymen of St. Luke, Old Street, and the Ratepayers of the neighbouring districts, interested in the projected new street from Old Street, St. Luke, to New Charterhouse Street, Holborn.

Sheweth—

That your Memorialists are deeply impressed with the desirability of a main thoroughfare being formed direct south-west from Goswell Road, opposite Old Street, a street one mile in length and of an average width of 60 feet, in direct communication with Hackney Road, Kingsland Road, Hoxton Old Town, City Road, New North Road, and East Road, and an outlet through Bath Street, Shepherdess Walk, for Barnsbury, north of Islington, Haggerston, Dalston, Commercial Street, from and to the Docks, and Bethnal Green, by which a considerable saving of time and distance

would accrue to the public, whose avocations and requirements would lead them to the New Meat Market, Holborn, Oxford-street, and Westminster, and would afford a great relief to the overcrowded thoroughfares of Fleet-street, Ludgate-hill, Bishopsgate-street, Cheapside, Barbican, and Long-lane, and would, even without further alterations, be the quickest route for parties proceeding to the Eastern Counties Railway or the New Commercial-street, from the West End.

That the proposed new street proceeding through the open land on the Eastern side of the Charterhouse estate, direct to the New Meat Market, will only involve the removal of two houses, and your Memorialists have ascertained that the same can be carried out at a very small cost, considering the great utility of such a street, and its immense value as an important Metropolitan improvement.

That your Memorialists submit herewith a plan of the projected new street for the consideration of your Board, the resolution of the Vestry of St. Luke thereon, and also a resolution adopted at a Public Meeting of the Ratepayers of the Holborn District, held at the Lion Tavern in the New Meat Market, and earnestly request your Board will adopt the said project in the interest of the inhabitants of the Metropolis, and proceed to carry out the same at as early a period as practicable.

(Signed) ALFRED WALKER, and 306 others.

RESOLUTION adopted at a Special Meeting of the Vestrymen of the Parish of St. Luke, Middlesex, held at the Vestry Hall, in the City-road, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1870.

"That, in the opinion of this Vestry, the formation of a new street in continuation of Old-street, through the open land of the Charterhouse playground, direct to the new Charterhouse-street, north of the New Meat Market at Smithfield, is deserving of its approval, as such a street will be highly convenient to the public, and economical in its cost."

RESOLUTION adopted at a Meeting of Ratepayers of the District of Holborn, held at the Lion Tavern, in the New Meat Market, on Friday, the 25th day of February last.

"That, in the opinion of this Meeting, the project of a new street from New Charterhouse-street, direct north-east to Old-street is deserving of support as a highly important Metropolitan improvement, this Meeting, therefore, desires to co-operate with the Corporation and Citizens of London, the inhabitants of the Parish of St. Luke, and the District of Holborn, to attend and unite with the Deputation to the Metropolitan Board of Works on Friday, the 4th of March next, to advocate the adoption of the proposed new street."

On behalf of the Association,
(Signed) RICHARD MORELAND, JUNR.,
Honorary Secretary.

The Plans referred to in the Memorial and the estimate of the cost of carrying out the Improvement were laid before the Board.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mr. Roche—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Mr. Moreland handed in the following resolution, which was read.

ST. LUKE, MIDDLESEX.

At a Special Meeting of the Vestry held at the Vestry Hall, City-road, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1870, at 3 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Churchwarden Lawrence in the Chair.

It was MOVED by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Daniel, and RESOLVED *unanimously*—"That, "in the opinion of this Vestry, the formation of a new street in continuation of Old-street, through "the open land of the Charterhouse play-ground direct to the new Charterhouse-street, north of the "new Meat Market at Smithfield, is deserving of its approval, as such a street will be highly con-"venient to the public, and economical in its cost, and that this work should be carried out by the "Metropolitan Board of Works as a Metropolitan Improvement."

It was MOVED by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Emms, and RESOLVED *unanimously*—"That a "copy of the resolution just passed be forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works under the "Seal of the Vestry."

The Common Seal of the Vestry affixed by Order.

(Signed) W. W. HAYNE, Vestry Clerk.

L. S.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland—That the said resolution be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the foregoing reference.

3. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor handed in a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

THE MEMORIAL OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF SEWERS OF THE CITY OF LONDON.

SHEWETH,

That your Memorialists have for some time past been in negotiation, with a view to acquire the site of ground coloured red on the accompanying Plan, for the purpose of laying the same into the public-way for the widening and improving of the same at the eastern extremity of Fenchurch-street and Leadenhall-street.

That, being unable to agree with the owners as to the price to be paid for such piece of ground the question was referred to Arbitration, and the umpire, Mr. Pownall, has awarded the sum of £4,204 as the value of the said ground to be paid by your Memorialists to the owners.

That this sum of £4,204 represents the net cost of the said improvements, independent of any professional expenses in connection therewith.

Your Memorialists trust that in consideration of the great importance of effecting the same, at a spot which forms the entrance to the City from the Eastern Counties, and is one of the most crowded thoroughfares of the City of London, (the traffic therein running to and from all parts of the Metropolis) your Honorable Board will, out of the Funds at your disposal, contribute such sum of money in aid of the cost thereof, as to your Honorable Board may seem meet.

Signed by order of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London.

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW,
Principal Clerk.

Sewers Office, Guildhall, 22nd February, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. **Resolved**—That the motion by Mr. Westerton and Mr. Runtz, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be now taken.

Mr. Runtz, by leave of the Board, modified the motion in question, as follows—"That "it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to consider and report as "to the advisability of promoting District Surveyors who now have charge of districts of small "value to larger and more important districts, as vacancies occur"—and having moved the same it was seconded by Mr. Saunders.

After discussion, Mr. Runtz, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motion, and expressed his intention of giving notice, at a future time, of another motion on the subject.

5. This being the day appointed by the Board for the election of District Surveyors for the Districts of Lewisham and Sydenham, the Clerk laid before the Board the applications which had been received from candidates.

The Chairman informed the Board that two of the Candidates, namely, Mr. Greaves, for the Lewisham District, and Mr. Bell, for the Lewisham and Sydenham Districts, had not sent in their applications within the time named in the advertisement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the names of Mr. Greaves and Mr. Bell be added to the lists of Candidates.

The Chairman also stated that Mr. Robert Kerr, one of the Candidates, had withdrawn his application.

The Chairman further stated that an arrangement would have to be made with respect to the payment of Mr. R. P. Browne, for the services rendered by him as interim Surveyor for the Lewisham District.

The Report of the Superintending Architect presented to the Board on Friday last (No. 67), on the subject, was read.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the District Surveyors who may be elected this day do each pay the sum of £25 to Mr. R. P. Browne, as remuneration for his services as Interim Surveyor for the Lewisham District, in consideration of the Fees not collected by him in the district during his period of service.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the number of Candidates be reduced by one vote to six; that the names be then put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the Candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the appointment of District Surveyor be subject to the condition, that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise, from any reduction or alteration of Fees by the Board, or from any change of system which may be adopted, either as to the office, its duties, or emoluments.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That, in the event of a Candidate who already holds a similar position being elected, he be required to resign his previous appointment.

The names of the Candidates for the District of Lewisham were then read, as follows—

Arthur Allom	5, Parliament-street.
George Aitchison	5, Muscovy-court, Trinity-square, Tower-hill.
Charles James Badger	Blackheath-road.
Richard Bell	22, Walbrook.
John Clarkson	Ormond Chambers, 36, Great Ormond-street.
Daniel Robert Dale	13, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.
Edward D. Drury	35, Bucklersbury.
B. Fletcher	24, Bedford-square.
J. W. Forge	34, St. Mary-at-Hill.
Chester Foulsham	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
Sidney Godwin	24, Alexander-square, Brompton.
H. S. Greaves	Grove-lane, Stamford-hill.
Horace Gundry	1, John-street, Adelphi.
C. F. Hayward	20, Montague-street, Russell-square.
John G. Hilton	3, Victoria-street, Westminster.
Thomas H. Hovenden	181, Bishopsgate-street, Without.
Henry Jarvis, Jun.	29, Trinity-square, Southwark.
Gore Ouseley Lane	2, Bernard-street, Russell-square.
George Lansdown	2 and 3, Warwick-street, Charing-cross.
Joseph Liddiard	423, New Cross-road, Deptford.
S. S. Markham	4, Prince's-square, St. George-in-the-East.
J. Douglas Matthews	10, Cloak-lane, City.
Robert P. Notley	53, Gracechurch-street.
Wilson T. Piper	1, Plowden-buildings, Middle Temple.
Rowland Plumbe	13, Fitzroy-square.
Richard Richardson	35, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
Lacy W. Ridge	23, Bedford-row.
Edward Roberts	25, Parliament-street.
Benjamin Tabberer	16, Basinghall-street.
Augustus W. Tanner	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
James Tolley	8, Bessborough-gardens.
Frederick Wallen	16, Furnival's-Inn.
George Barnes Williams	Frederick's-place, Old Jewry.
William Young	46, New Kent-road.

It appearing that Mr. G. B. Williams was not present,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That Mr. Williams's name be struck out from the list.

The names of the Candidates were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to Six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

	VOTES.		VOTES.
Mr. Arthur Allom	2	Mr. Gore Ouseley Lane	9
„ George Aitchison	7	„ George Lansdown	15
„ Charles James Badger	29	„ Joseph Liddiard	22
„ Richard Bell	19	„ S. S. Markham	13
„ John Clarkson	17	„ J. Douglas Matthews	15
„ Daniel Robert Dale	7	„ Robert P. Notley	13
„ Edward D. Drury	29	„ Wilson T. Piper	13
„ B. Fletcher	5	„ Rowland Plumbe	10
„ J. W. Forge	4	„ Richard Richardson	4
„ Chester Foulsham	14	„ Lacy W. Ridge	9
„ Sidney Godwin	23	„ Edward Roberts	14
„ H. S. Greaves	2	„ Benjamin Tabberer	25
„ Horace Gundry	18	„ Augustus, W. Tanner	10
„ G. F. Hayward	23	„ James Tolley	26
„ John G. Hilton	9	„ Frederick Wallen	10
„ Thomas H. Hovenden	5	„ William Young	3
„ Henry Jarvis, Jun.	3		

The Board then proceeded with the election by a show of hands taken successively for each of the six Candidates having the largest number of votes, as above, the name of the Candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting as follows—

	1st Show of Hands.	2nd Show of Hands.	3rd Show of Hands.	4th Show of Hands.	5th Show of Hands.
Mr. Badger	29	32	31	30	32
„ Drury	19	20	17	15	—
„ Godwin	10	—	—	—	—
„ Hayward	12	10	—	—	—
„ Tabberer	22	15	12	—	—
„ Tolley	20	23	20	16	5

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. Charles James Badger be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Lewisham, containing that part of the parish of Lewisham, lying north of a line drawn along the centre of Forest-hill-road, and along the eastern side of the Brighton Railway till it approaches the end of Brockley-lane, and then following the centre of that lane and Catford-road and southward of the churchyard to Cock-shed-lane, and thence to the eastern boundary of the said parish.

Mr. Badger was then called, and the Resolutions passed this day with reference to the payment of £25 to Mr. R. P. Browne, and precluding him from claiming compensation in case of any diminution of income, &c., having been read to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such resolutions, and, in reply to a question by the Chairman, he also stated that he would personally discharge the duties of the office.

The Board then proceeded to the election of a District Surveyor for the District of Sydenham, and the names of the Candidates were read as follows—

Arthur Allom ..... 5, Parliament-street.
George Aitchison ..... 5, Muscovy-court, Trinity-square, Tower-hill.
Richard Bell ..... 22, Walbrook.

John Brown	15, Stanley-villas, West Brompton.
John Clarkson	Ormond Chambers, 36, Great Ormond-street.
Daniel Robert Dale	13, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.
Edward D. Drury	35, Bucklersbury.
B. Fletcher	24, Bedford-square.
J. W. Forge	34, St. Mary-at-Hill.
Chester Foulsham	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
Sidney Godwin	24, Alexander-square, Brompton.
Charles A Gould	20, Great George-street, Westminster.
Horace Gundry	1, John-street, Adelphi.
C. F. Hayward	20, Montague Street, Russell-square.
John G. Hilton	3, Victoria-street, Westminster.
Robert C. James	11, Southampton-row.
Henry Jarvis, Jun.	29, Trinity-square, Southwark.
Gore Ouseley Lane	2, Bernard-street, Russell-square.
George Lansdown	2 and 3, Warwick-street, Charing-cross.
Joseph Liddiard	423, New Cross-road, Deptford.
S. S. Markham	4, Prince's-square, St. George-in-the-East.
J. Douglas Matthews	10, Cloak-lane, City.
Robert P. Notley	53, Gracechurch-street.
Wilson T. Piper	1, Plowden-buildings, Middle Temple.
Rowland Plumbe	13, Fitzroy-square.
Jno. S. Quilter	9, Conduit-street.
Thomas H. Raiman	Lawn House, Greenwich.
William C. Reed	2, Adelaide-place, London-bridge.
Lacy W. Ridge	23, Bedford-row.
Edward Roberts	25, Parliament-street.
Stephen Salter, Jun.	28, Woburn-place.
George Scamell	1, London-street, E.C.
Alexander R. Stenning	Mitre Chambers, 157, Fenchurch-street.
Benjamin Tabberer	16, Basinghall-street.
Augustus W. Tanner	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
James Tolley	8, Bessborough-gardens.
William Waine	Albert-road, South Norwood.
Frederick Wallen	16, Furnival's-inn.
George Barnes Williams	Frederick's-place, Old Jewry.
William Young	46, New Kent-road.

It appearing that Mr. Gould, Mr. Scamell, and Mr. Williams were not in attendance,

Resolved—That their names be struck out from the list of candidates.

The names of the Candidates were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to Six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

	VOTES.		VOTES.
Mr. Arthur Allom	1	Mr. S. S. Markham	9
„ George Aitchison	7	„ J. Douglas Matthews	16
„ Richard Bell	18	„ Robert P. Notley	10
„ John Brown	1	„ Wilson T. Piper	16
„ John Clarkson	18	„ Rowland Plumbe	5
„ Daniel Robert Dale	8	„ Jno. S. Quilter	1
„ Edward D. Drury	24	„ Thomas H. Raiman	2
„ B. Fletcher	6	„ William C. Reed	0
„ J. W. Forge	3	„ Lacy W. Ridge	8
„ Chester Foulsham	10	„ Edward Roberts	13

	VOTES.		VOTES.
„ Sidney Godwin	23	„ Stephen Salter, Jun.	3
„ Horace Gundry	13	„ Alexander R. Stenning	7
„ C. F. Hayward	21	„ Benjamin Tabberer	28
„ John G. Hilton	8	„ Augustus W. Tanner	8
„ Robert C. James	0	„ James Tolley	25
„ Henry Jarvis, Jun.	7	„ William Waine	2
„ Gore Ouseley Lane	8	„ Frederick Wallen	14
„ George Lansdown	13	„ William Young	6
„ Joseph Liddiard	22		

The Board then proceeded with the election, by a show of hands taken successively for each of the six Candidates having the largest number of votes, as above, the name of the Candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting, as follows—

	1st Show of Hands.	2nd Show of Hands.	3rd Show of Hands.	4th Show of Hands.	5th Show of Hands.
Mr. Drury	20	22	18	22	17
„ Godwin	14	9	—	—	—
„ Hayward	9	—	—	—	—
„ Liddiard	17	17	13	—	—
„ Tabberer	19	17	18	12	—
„ Tolley	24	24	22	23	20

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. James Tolley be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Sydenham, containing that part of the Parish of Lewisham lying south of the Lewisham District.

Mr. Tolley was then called, and the Resolution passed this day with reference to the payment of £25 to Mr. R. P. Browne, and the resolutions precluding him from claiming compensation in case of any diminution of income, &c., and as to the resignation of his present appointment as District Surveyor of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, having been read to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such resolutions and, in reply to a question put by the Chairman, he also stated that he would personally discharge the duties of the office.

Read the following letter—

March, 4th, 1870.

Dear Sir,—Having been this day elected to the District of Sydenham, I hereby resign my appointment of District Surveyor of St. Margaret, St. John, and St. Peter, Westminster.

I am, &c.

(Signed) JAMES TOLLEY.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That Mr. Tolley's resignation be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche, seconded by Mr. Savage—That Mr. Tolley be authorised to act as District Surveyor for the District of St. Margaret, St. John, and St. Peter, Westminster, until the appointment of his successor.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the subject of the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 28th February, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Whitechapel Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Evans—		
Morris, Stone, and Co.—Taxed Costs of Investment, under Order of 21st November, 1868	175 19 6	
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—		
Fair Copying, October, 1869 £2 17 0		
Stamps 0 15 0		
3 12 0		
Fair Copying, November, 1869 0 7 4		
3 19 4		
		179 18 10

Stingo Lane Improvement.

Re Stevens—		
Scaife, John—Costs of Title and Conveyance	8 17 0	
Re Hewlett—		
Turner, F. H.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	12 12 0	
Re Goode—		
Antrobus, Sir E., and Colthurst, W. M.—		
Purchase Money, Freehold, Nos. 7 and 7A, Stingo Lane	1,000 0 0	
Interest thereon £20 19 2		
Less Tax 0 8 8		
	20 10 6	
Surveyor's Fees, as per Contract—		
Smith, G. J.	18 0 0	
Salter, Joseph	18 0 0	
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—		
Fair Copying, October, 1869 £5 7 1		
Stamps 7 2 6		
12 9 7		
Fair Copying, November, 1869 £8 15 9		
Stamps 17 7 6		
26 3 3		
Fair Copying, December, 1869 £11 18 8		
Stamps 24 7 6		
36 6 2		
	74 19 0	
Re Goode—		
Goode, W. S.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	63 0 0	
Re Rehm—		
Pownall, Son, and Co.—Costs of Mr. Pownall's Award ..	28 0 0	
		1,243 18 6

Thames Embankment, North.

Phillips, J., Law Stationer—		
Fair Copying—		
October, 1869	8 8 10	
November „	25 1 5	
December „	14 7 2	
		47 17 5
Carried forward ..		£1,471 14 9

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward				1,471 14 9
Southern Embankment.				
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—				
Fair Copying, October, 1869	£4 14 4			
Stamps	1 6 0			
			6 0 4	
Fair Copying, November, 1869 ..	£9 8 5			
Stamps	6 2 0			
			15 10 5	
Fair Copying, December, 1869 ..	£6 9 6			
Stamps	3 11 6			
			10 1 0	
Re Binney—				
Bank of England—To be paid into Court of Chancery ..			5,800 0 0	
				5,831 11 9
Mansion House Street.				
Re Mrs. Chaplin—				
Chaplin, Mrs. M.—Purchase Money of Rent Charge on No. 27, Bucklersbury			1,072 0 0	
Arrears of same (£150 per annum) from 25th March, 1868, to 2nd March, 1870, as per Contract	£290 11 0			
Less Tax	6 13 4			
			283 17 8	
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—				
Fair Copying, October, 1869	£6 13 0			
Stamps	4 5 0			
		10 18 0		
Fair Copying, November, 1869	£13 0 10			
Stamps	1 17 6			
		14 18 4		
Fair Copying, December, 1869	£3 4 2			
Stamps	5 10 0			
		8 14 2		
			34 10 6	
Re St. Nicholas Cole Abbey—				
Walford, J. E., Collector				
One year's Rate in lieu of Tithes, due Christmas, 1869 ..	£63 2 8			
Deficiency in Poor Rates, April, 1868, and April, 1869	141 18 6			
			205 1 2	
				1,595 9 4
				£8,898 15 10

The following list of payments required to be made has been laid before your Committee, and having ascertained that the amounts are correct, they beg to recommend that cheques for the several sums be drawn on the General and Main Drainage Accounts.

General Account.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(In respect of Shepherdess Walk Improvement.)		
Re Guardians of St. Luke's—		
Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Luke—		
Interest on Purchase Money, (£14,876)	128 7 7	
less Tax	2 13 5	
		125 14 2
Carried forward ..		£125 14 2

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..		..		125	14	2
Main Drainage and Main Sewers.						
(In respect of Crossness Roadway.)						
Re Sir. J. Hawley—						
Hawley, Sir Joseph—						
Purchase Money of Freehold strip of Land	145	0	0			
Proportion of Rent, to completion	5	0	0			
Frere, Cholmeley, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	11	11	0			
Smart,—Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report	10	10	0			
Re Webb—						
Webb, William, and Webb, Mrs. E.—Purchase Money of Freehold strip of Land	300	0	0			
Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report ..	9	9	0			
Re Newman—						
Newman, Miss S.—Purchase Money of Leasehold ..	40	0	0			
Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report ..	5	5	0			
Re Colyer—						
Colyer, Edward—Purchase Money of Freehold strip of Land, as per Award	277	10	0			
				804	5	0
				£929	19	2

The necessity for making the above recommendations has directed the attention of your Committee to the desirability of their being authorised to draw cheques on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, in addition to the other Accounts from which they are now empowered by the Board to make payments. There are matters connected with this Account which fall more especially under the cognizance of your Committee, and, having regard to this and to the recent consolidation of the Board's Accounts, your Committee think it would be conducive to the better despatch of business, if they were enabled to sign cheques on the above Account. Your Committee beg to recommend this course for approval and adoption by the Board.

Your Committee have proceeded on your resolution of the 28th January last (No. 29), referring it to them to consider as to the state of health of Mr. Thomas Holland, Record Room Keeper, and as to the necessary steps to be taken. The Board having, on the 18th instant, on the recommendation of your Committee appointed an officer to discharge the duties of Record Room Keeper, the recommendation that Mr. Holland's services be dispensed with will doubtless have been anticipated. The terms of the Medical report on Mr. Holland's health render it so extremely improbable that he could ever again undertake active duties, that your Committee feel it would be useless to delay making this recommendation. Mr. Holland's connection with the Board and their predecessors extends over a period of upwards of 27 years, viz. from October, 1842. In December, 1865, he was placed by the Board in the 3rd class of officers at a commencing salary of £110 per annum and attained the maximum of his class at Christmas last. The Superannuation Act of 1866 authorises the Board to grant retiring allowances to their officers to the extent of one sixtieth for each year of service, provided that the total allowance in no case exceeds two thirds of the salary which the officer may be receiving at the time of his superannuation. In Mr. Holland's case, his salary being £150 per annum, the allowance calculated on the above scale would amount to £67 10s. per annum, and your Committee, having carefully considered all the circumstances think he is fairly entitled to receive it. They, therefore, have to submit the following recommendation.

That Mr. Holland's services be dispensed with, and that a retiring allowance of £67 10s. be granted to him for life.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. T. E. Collcutt applying for permission to erect a boarded fence on the north side, with two piers and entrance gate at the eastern end, of the portion of the site of the Stamford Brook Sewer, Ravenscourt-park, Hammersmith, granted to Mr. J. A. Smyth. On the 20th July, 1866, (No. 7) the Board granted permission to Mr. Smyth to enclose and use, during their pleasure, a portion of the site, on condition that he entered into an agreement to pay £1 per annum, in recognition of their rights, and to erect the requisite gates for maintaining access to the site, the works to be done at his sole cost and to the satisfaction of the officers of the Board. The agreement was subsequently completed, and it is now proposed to carry out the works by means of a boarded fence to be erected on the north side of the site with an entrance gate across the latter at the eastern end for the maintenance of the Board's right of way. This is in strict conformity with the agreement, and your Committee recommend that the application be granted, subject to the works being executed as provided in that agreement.

Your Committee have further to report that they have again considered as to the state of health of Mr. Britton, Surveyor in the Architect's Department, whose case was the subject of a report by your Committee on Friday last. A Report has now been received from Dr. Browne, Medical Officer of the Fire Brigade, from which it appears that Mr. Britton is suffering from chronic rheumatism, seriously affecting the right shoulder joint, and other joints in a less degree, and that although, Dr. Browne cannot detect serious injury to any vital organ, he considers Mr. Britton quite unfit at present to do duty of any description whatever. At the same time he thinks that if Mr. Britton were to go to a warm and sheltered situation on the sea coast there would be every prospect of his being able to resume his indoor duties in two or three months. With regard to out-door duties Dr. Browne is of opinion that should Mr. Britton recover sufficiently to resume them, it would be highly prejudicial to his future prospect of health to do so. Having regard to the terms of Dr. Browne's Report, your Committee are of opinion that the Board should, as far as practicable, afford Mr. Britton the opportunity of again fitting himself for the discharge of in-door duties, and they recommend—

That three months' leave of absence be granted to him, and that he be paid during that period at the rate of one half of his present salary of £300 per annum.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
WM. NEWTON,
THOS. BRUSHFIELD,
C. H. ELT,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That Cheques for the following amounts be now drawn—

General Account.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
(In respect of Shepherdess Walk Improvement.)		
Re Guardians of St. Luke's—		
Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of St. Luke—		
Interest on Purchase-money, (£14,876)	128 7 7	
less Tax	2 13 5	
	———	125 14 2
Main Drainage and Main Sewers.		
(In respect of Crossness Roadway.)		
Re Sir J. Hawley—		
Hawley, Sir Joseph—		
Purchase-money of Freehold strip of Land	145 0 0	
Carried forward ..	£145 0 0	125 14 2

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	145	0	0	125	14	2
Proportion of Rent to completion	5	0	0			
Frere, Cholmeley, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance..	11	11	0			
Smart,—Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report ..	10	10	0			
Re Webb—						
Webb, William, and Webb, Mrs. E.—Purchase-money of Freehold strip of land	300	0	0			
Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report.. ..	9	9	0			
Re Newman—						
Newman, Miss S.—Purchase-money of Leasehold ..	40	0	0			
Surveyor's Fee, as per Mr. Buckland's Report.. ..	5	5	0			
Re Colyer—						
Colyer, Edward—Purchase-money of Freehold strip of land, as per Award	277	10	0			
				804	5	0
				£929	19	2

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That, having regard to the consolidation of the Board's Accounts, the Works and General Purposes Committee be authorised to draw Cheques upon the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, in addition to the other Accounts upon which they are now empowered by the Board to draw Cheques.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the engagement of Mr. Thomas Holland, late Record Room Keeper, be terminated in consequence of his inability to discharge his duties, occasioned by illness, and that the Board do grant him a retiring allowance of £67 10s. per annum for life.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield—That Mr. T. E. Collcutt be permitted to erect a boarded fence on the north side, with two piers and an entrance gate at the eastern end of the portion of the site of the Stamford Brook Sewer, Ravenscourt-park, Hammersmith, the use of which was granted by the Board to Mr. J. A. Smyth on the 20th July, 1866, (No. 7); subject to the works being executed under the conditions, and in the manner provided in the agreement entered into by Mr. Smyth.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That three months' leave of absence be granted to Mr. T. A. Britton, Surveyor in the Architect's Department, who is prevented by illness from performing his duties, and that he be paid during that period at the rate of one-half of his present salary of £300 per annum.

7. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 1st March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth Class Firemen George Nazer, George Thomas, and Thomas Cloake, have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted.

Your Committee have further to report that there are now six vacancies in the Brigade, to fill which they recommend the appointment of William W. F. Burge, Christopher J. Church,

Henry F. Baker, Denis McCarthy, Harry H. Patmore, and William A. Frew, in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
JOHN SAVAGE,
E. J. THOMPSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of Fourth Class Firemen G. Nazer, G. Thomas, and T. Cloake, be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That W. W. F. Burge, C. J. Church, H. F. Baker, D. McCarthy, H. H. Patmore, and W. A. Frew be appointed in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th March, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
FULHAM.				
Richford-street, The Grove, Hammersmith	About 615	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
POPLAR.				
St. Leonard's-street, Bromley	About 470	12 inch.	Pipe.	Cast iron pipe shaft with cess-pipe combined.
	460	18 ,,	,,	
Diversion of Sewers between Preston New-road and Brunswick-street, and construction of brick shaft for connection with Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer	About 90	18 inch.	Pipe.	Recommended as a substitution for the Plan sanctioned on 25th February last (No. 13) subject to the works for the diversion of the Main Blackwall Sewer being carried out under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of this Board in all respects, and at the sole cost of the Great Eastern Railway Company; and those in connection with the District Sewer under the direction of the District Board.
	95	2 ft. barl.	Brick.	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

9. The Engineer presented a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 3rd March, 1870.

Monthly Report of the Progress of the Thames Embankment, Low Level Sewer, North, &c., Works.

North Side of the River.

Thames Embankment (Contract No. 3), between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge. The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 677 feet, and the remaining length of about 245 feet is constructed to an average height of 7 feet above Trinity High-water mark. The length of the subway completed is 850 feet, and of the sewer 794 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage works on the foreshore of the river are all complete. Considerable progress has been made with the intended Subway from the river to the City Gas Company's Works. The four old houses in Chatham-place have been pulled down, and the materials are cleared away for the formation of the approach to the Embankment from Bridge-street. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. A. Boag and C. Jannings at a total weekly cost of £5 19s.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer between the terminal point of this Contract and the commencement of the part now being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company, in connection with their works from Saint Andrew's Hill, a length of 458 feet has been constructed.

Between these two points 593 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″) and 39 coal vaults have also been constructed. The excavations for the penstock-chamber to be formed near the Bridge are completed, and the brickwork is commenced. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. H. Bennett, at a total weekly cost of £4 4s.

The approximate cost of the foregoing works executed by Mr. Webster is £84,000, of which £1,300 are due to the progress made in the past month.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway are actively progressing at various points along the line of the Embankment, Queen Victoria-street, &c. From the Westminster Station, eastward, a total length of about 8,700 feet of side walls is complete, and a further length of 330 feet is in progress. Upon the completed walls 2,600 feet of the upper arches are turned, and the girders are fixed and the arching partly constructed for a further length of about 4,200 feet. A few men are at work inside the Charing Cross Station, but with the external works little has been done since the date of my last Report. Some progress is being made with the Blackfriars Station. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, is employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple; from the latter point, eastward, they are under the charge of the Clerks of Works superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract, and the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., which is being constructed in connection with the Railway; a fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will therefore be borne by the Company.

Low Level Sewer, &c., between Saint Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street.—But little has been done by the Company with these works during the past month, the length of Sewer constructed remaining nearly as last reported, namely, 1,370 feet. Preparations are, however, being made to commence the length of subway and the vaults, for which the ground has to some extent already been got out. The total value of the works completed under the Company's agreement with the Board is £11,000; of which £250 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the sewerage works at the Hermitage Lock, Wapping), K. Earnshaw, and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £7 14s.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill.—The length of Sewer constructed in the past month is 278 feet, which, added to the lengths previously reported, make a total of 4,182 feet of Sewer, varying from 8′ 9″ to 8′ 6″ in diameter, already completed by Mr. Webster under this contract, and leave about 220 feet yet to be constructed. The approximate cost of the completed works is £50,000, of which the sum of £2,952 is due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. I. Douglas, W. Jeffery, C. Taylor, and H. Spurgeon, at a total weekly cost of £13 13s.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico.—The completed lengths of this section of the Low Level line are 5,527 feet of 7′ 9″; 1,290 feet of 6′ 9″, and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ brick Sewer; the estimated cost of which, with the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £45,000, of which £3,000 represent the progress made by the Contractors, Messrs Hiscox and Williams, in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (for three-fourths of his time), J. Wright, J. White, R. Tuck, and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £14 7s.

Whitechapel Improvement.—The works under this Contract have made fair progress in the past month; the length of Subway (12′ 0″ wide by 7′ 6″ high) constructed being 180 feet, which, added to the lengths already reported, make the total of 1,140 feet comprised in the Contract. The sewer, 1,206 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, is also finished. Thirty-one coal vaults are wholly complete, and 38 are in progress. Fifteen side passages and one side entrance are also complete. The concrete bed for the stone pitching of the roadway is fast progressing, a length of 400 feet at the Commercial-road end of the new street having been formed, upon 202 feet of which the granite has been laid; the kerb is set for a length of 536 feet. The approximate cost of the whole of the work completed by Messrs. Marshall and Maxwell under this Contract is £7,550, of which £2,600 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

Wapping Sewers.—Under Mr. Webster's Contract for the interception of the drainage of the western portion of Wapping, by means of a sewer carried along High-street, and under the Hermitage entrance to the London Docks to a branch of the Nightingale-lane Sewer connected with the Low Level Line, about 50 feet of 4′ 0″ barrel, and 800 feet 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewers have been constructed at an estimated cost of £2,400. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time) and J. Paget, at a total weekly cost of £5 5s.

South Side of the River.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The lengths of sewer completed by Mr. Nicholson under this Contract are 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″, and 1,330 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of cast-iron pipe, 4′ 0″ in diameter, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. A further length of about 200 feet of brick sewer

is in progress, and about 1,130 feet of stoneware pipes have been laid for drain connections, &c. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £11,550, of which about £450 represent the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this, and of the two following contracts, is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 4s.

Kennington Park-road Sewer.—Mr. Crockett has now completed the works contained in this contract. They comprise a total length of 2,204 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick sewer, and about 2,420 feet of stoneware pipe drain-connections, with the requisite side entrances, ventilators, &c. The total estimated cost of the works is £4,080, of which £243 are due to the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon was Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant was Mr. B. Butcher, and their weekly wages amounted to £4 4s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver, the Contractors, have completed a total length of 1,834 feet of brick sewers varying in size from 5′ 0″ × 3′ 4″ to 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, and have a further length of about 620 feet in progress. About, 1,460 feet of stoneware-pipe connections have also been laid. The total value of the completed works is £4,377 of which £1,229 are due to the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistant is Mr. W. Morton, and their weekly wages amount to £4 11s. 0d.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the said Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd March, 1870, on a letter from the Surveyor of the Fulham District Board, requesting that certain ventilating shafts to the sewer in Wood-lane, Shepherd's-bush, might be raised, and that some gullies and two side entrances in Shepherd's-bush-road might be shifted to positions according with the alterations made in the road and paths; stating that the raising of the air-gratings was necessitated by a small addition which had been made to form the permanent level of the road, and would be carried out, as had been usual in all similar cases; but that he could not recommend compliance with the request as regarded the gullies and side entrances, as that involved their re-construction, either in whole or part, for the purpose of completing the widening of the roadway which was a local improvement carried out by the District Board, and upon whom, therefore, the making of the suggested alterations devolved.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication to the effect thereof be sent to the Fulham District Board.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd March, 1870, stating that, under the authority of the Board of the 18th ultimo (No. 21), George Clayton, filth-hoist man at Deptford Pumping Station, who had been under medical treatment, had been allowed half-pay for the past fortnight, that he was now recovering and would, it was anticipated, be able to resume his duties next week, and recommending that the half-pay be continued for the intervening period.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd March, 1870, stating that a few dozen young trees and shrubs of a hardy kind were required at the Crossness Pumping Station to replace those that have died, and recommending that Mr. McKenzie be authorised to make the requisite selection.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. T. Schleicher, No. 50, Great Tower-street, City, applying for compensation for alleged loss sustained in his business from the execution of the Board's Works; stating that one of the shafts connected with the Low Level Sewerage Works in Great Tower-street was at a distance of about 50 feet from the applicant's premises, in consequence of which, he alleged, the drivers of carts and cabs were not allowed to stop at his door, as previously, thus depriving him of their custom; that nothing was being done that was not strictly necessary for the carrying out of the works, and recommending that the application be not entertained.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

14. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 3rd March, 1870.

Extract from Board Minutes, 17th December, 1869, (No. 7.)

"Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. S. J. Barth, Clerk to the Poplar District Board, dated "16th December, 1869, with copy Reports of the Surveyor and Medical Officers of that Board on "complaints with respect to the Main Sewers within the District, and requesting the immediate "attention of this Board with a view to providing a remedy for the same.

"RESOLVED, on the MOTION of Mr. Cook—That the letter from the Poplar District Board of "Works and the accompanying Reports, be referred to the Engineer, and that he be instructed to "make a return of the average daily depth of sewage in the Low Level Sewer for the last six "months; and as to the existence or otherwise, of any deposit in that portion of the sewer and its "tributaries within the District of the Poplar Local Board."

With reference to the above resolution, I have to report that, as no record has been kept of "the "average daily depth of sewage in the Low Level Sewer," I am unable to make the return of such depths during the six months preceding the date of the resolution; but with respect to the part of the latter referring to "the existence, or otherwise, of any deposit in that portion of the sewer and "its tributaries within the District of the Poplar Local Board," I present, herewith, the return showing the result of a careful survey, made by the Officers of the Board, of the several sewers therein named.

I may add that, since such survey, cleansing operations have been in progress in most of these sewers according to the usual custom.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

The Return referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Report and Return be received, and that they be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd March, 1870, recommending the execution of the undermentioned works under the General Contract, viz.—

	ESTIMATE.
Lee-road, near Turner-road, Lee. One new side entrance ..	£30 0 0
Camberwell-road, near Blucher-road. One new side entrance	39 0 0
	£69 0 0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

16. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Shaw, pursuant to notice—That a Return be prepared of Officials in the permanent employment of the Board from whom security is demanded, and the guarantee required; of the amount of public money lost by the defalcations of Mr. Hughes, the late Accountant, including all expenses incurred in prosecuting him, the amount guaranteed by the European Assurance Society, and the amount paid by them.

17. The Solicitor reported that the North Metropolitan Tramways Bill had been read a first time on Monday last, and now stood for second reading on the 7th instant; that the Wandsworth Bridge Bill had been read a second time on Tuesday last; that the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1869, Amendment Bill had not yet been printed but that it stood for second reading on the 11th instant, and that the Poor Relief Bill had not yet been printed, and that the second reading stood for the 17th instant.

Resolved—That a copy of the Poor Relief Bill be sent to each Member of the Board.

18. The Solicitor presented a further notice from Mr. Cockle, the Solicitor of Mr. Bolton, of No. 2, Plough-road, Rotherhithe, requiring his claim for compensation to be settled by arbitration instead of by Jury.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the former references, and with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Home Secretary had, in reply to Mr. Dimsdale's motion on the subject of the Pollution of Rivers, stated that it was not the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill this Session for the prevention of the pollution of rivers by sewage, as a considerable portion of the subject yet remained to be inquired into.

20. The Solicitor reported that the Chancellor of the Exchequer had brought in a Bill to relieve the holders of certain leases from a Stamp Duty, chargeable thereon by law, and to reduce the Stamp Duty on certain other leases of the same description.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

21. The Solicitor also reported that the second reading of the Thames Navigation Bill had been postponed until the 18th instant, and that it now became necessary to take steps with a view to support the Board's Petition as to that Bill and certain other Bills against which they had lodged Petitions.

Resolved—That it be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with authority to take such steps as may be necessary in support of the Petitions presented by the Board against Bills in Parliament.

22. Read a Report as follows—

4th March, 1870.

I heard by accident last Saturday that the Local Board of Health of Wimbledon contemplated taking land, part of Wimbledon Common, for the purpose of throwing the sewage over it, and it seemed that it was alleged that the Board had obtained a grant of a lease from Earl Spencer of land. I heard that the Office of Woods as owners of land there had filed an information and were about to apply for an injunction to restrain the use of the land for these purposes. I procured a print of the Bill and asked the Engineer to ascertain the facts, and he has read the Bill.

Some small portion of the Common is within the area of the Board's jurisdiction, and I am not aware whether the Board would desire to interfere (if they could) or whether they might deem the plan an improvement, or whether the works and the cuts and trenches would in any way interfere with the Board's powers.

I think the Board will wish to refer this subject to the Works Committee, and instruct the Engineer to report his opinion as to the proposed plan and its effect.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

23. The Solicitor reported that the hearing of the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath, had been concluded on Wednesday last and that the Master of the Rolls had reserved his judgment.

24. Read a Report as follows—

4th March, 1870.

A Bill as to Tramways has been introduced into Parliament, a print of which I present.

It consists of 53 clauses divided into parts.

Part 1 embraces from clause 4 to 15. These empower (as regards the Metropolis) the City of London, and the Vestries and District Boards, or any Corporation or Company, with their consent, to obtain certificates from the Board of Trade for the construction of Tramways. They are to be called the Promoters, and they are to have power to sell, and the Local Authority may lease or take tolls for the Tramway.

Before the Tramways are to be authorised the Board of Trade is to make inquiries, and a certificate is to be laid before Parliament, and the certificate, if confirmed by Parliament, is to be the authority to proceed, and the Local Authority is to be empowered to borrow money for the works.

Part 2 relates to the construction of Tramways, and to the powers to be conferred in their formation.

Part 3 provides the species of Carriage and Wheels.

Clauses 25 to 30 relate to Licenses to be granted for the use of the Tramways by the Board of Trade.

31 relates to agreements as to the use of Tramways.

32 to the future purchase of Tramways by the Local Authority.

Under Section 33 the Tramways, if discontinued, the road authorities may remove the tramways

Section 34 to 40 relate to Tolls, (see Schedule B, at present blank, as to the list of tolls), Bye-Laws and Penalties.

40 to 45 to Penalties.

46 to the end General Miscellaneous Clauses.

Schedule A relates to the District and Local Authorities, and Schedule B for Toll is blank No doubt the Board will refer this Bill to the Parliamentary Committee.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee; that the foregoing analysis of its provisions be printed, and that a copy thereof, together with a copy of the Bill, be sent to each Member of the Board.

25. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Suburban Commons Bill, as brought in by Mr. Cowper-Temple, and stated that it did not apply to any Common which is a Metropolitan Common, as defined by the Act of 1866.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, and that a copy thereof be sent to each Member of the Board.

26. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Samuda, M.P., had given notice of his intention to call the attention of the House to negotiations going on for the selection of a site for a waterside Foreign Cattle Market, and to urge upon the Government the desirability of giving its sanction only to such site as shall be sufficiently extensive to provide for the reception of animals during periods when several foreign countries may be declared infected, whence the means of isolation can be effectually secured, and where the convenience of the trade and of the public will be best consulted.

27. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Metropolitan Building Act Amendment Bill as revised by Mr. Reilly, the Board's Counsel, with his observations thereon.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the said Bill be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to introduce the same, and prosecute it through Parliament during the ensuing Session.

28. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

29. The Solicitor reported that the House of Commons had, last evening, on the motion of Mr. Goschen, ordered that the Select Committee on Local Taxation should consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Hunt, Mr. Ayrton, Sir Massey Lopes, Mr. Acland, Mr. Corrance, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Pell, Mr. George Gregory, Sir William Tite, Mr. Fielden, Sir Hedworth Williamson, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Backhouse, Mr. Wheelhouse, Mr. St. Aubyn, Colonel Brise, Sir James Lawrence, Mr. Birley, Mr. Walter, Mr. Charles Seeley, Jun., and Mr. Goschen, with power to send for persons, papers, and records. Seven to be the quorum.

30. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Locke, M.P., had put a question in the House of Commons to the First Commissioner of Works, &c., with reference to the proceedings of this Board on the subject of building on a portion of Southwark Park, and that Mr. Ayrton had replied thereto to the effect that he had no precise information as to what the Board were doing in the matter, but that, he believed, they were endeavouring to do justice between the ratepayers of Southwark and the ratepayers of the rest of the Metropolis.

31. The Solicitor also reported that, in reply to a question by Sir Henry Selwyn Ibbetson, M.P. in the House of Commons on the subject of the site for a Foreign Cattle Market, Mr. W. E. Forster had made a statement to the effect that the report which had been circulated that increased tolls were being levied at the existing market at the present time

was not correct, that according to the Act of last Session increased tolls could be levied upon a market being erected by the Corporation of London to the satisfaction of the Privy Council; that he had every reason to believe that the Corporation intended to make a market, and that he had no reason to think that it would not be of sufficient area; that the question of the erection of the market had been referred by the Corporation to the Markets Committee, who had decided to recommend eight sites, but that the site was not yet definitively determined upon, the Markets Committee not having yet reported to the Corporation.

32. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Plimsoll, M.P., had given the following notice—"To ask "the Secretary of State for the Home Department whether his attention has been called to "the contemplated stoppage of Wharf-road, King's-cross, by authority of the Metropolitan "Board of Works for three weeks, for the reason that about twenty six yards require paving, "and to the inconvenience and loss which will result therefrom."

The Clerk reported that he had received a communication from the Home Office, requesting information on the subject of the above notice, and that, having obtained the necessary particulars from the Engineer's Department, he had forwarded a statement of the facts to the Home Secretary, accompanied by a letter of explanation, and that he had subsequently communicated with the Vestry Clerk of St. Pancras, and had received a reply to the effect that the subject had been referred to the Chief Surveyor of the Vestry for his immediate attention.

The Clerk laid before the Board the correspondence and a copy of the statement referred to.

Resolved—That the course taken by the Clerk be approved.

33. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Vernon Harcourt, M.P., had given notice of his intention to ask the Under Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether, before the introduction of any further Bill authorizing the inclosure of Commons and Waste Lands, the Government would bring in a measure giving effect to the recommendations of the Committee of last Session as to the amendments required in the existing law; and that Mr. Stapleton, M.P., had given notice of his intention to call the attention of the House of Commons to the neglect of the Water Companies, who have the privilege of supplying the Metropolis, to supply water for domestic purposes on Sundays, and to the injury resulting therefrom to the public health.

34. The Solicitor presented copies of notices of objections of the promoters of the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill, and the Metropolitan Railway Bill to the *locus standi* of the Board against those Bills.

Resolved—That the said notices be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills to which they refer.

35. Read a Report as follows—

4th March, 1870.

REG. *v.* BRUNNING.—SWEEPING MUD INTO SEWERS.

A summons was taken out against William Brunning on the 17th of February which was returnable on the 25th.

I attended on that day before Mr. Knox, and he, on the evidence of the police, convicted the defendant and fined him 20s. and costs of summons, or 14 days.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

36. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing—

Agreement with Mr. Joseph Toms for a lease of Plots Nos. 12 and 13, in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

A like Agreement with Mr. James Broadbridge, as to Plot No. 14.

Agreement in duplicate with Mr. W. Lyon, as to building over portion of the White Post Lane Sewer at Asylum-road, Old Kent-road.

Deed of Conveyance by Sir E. Antrobus and another to the Board of Nos. 7 and 7a, Stingo-lane, and a Memorial for registry of the same.

Lease by the Board to Mr. James Broadbridge, of the "Duke of Sussex" public-house in High-street, Kensington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreements, Deed, and Lease, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Declaration in the action by Mr. Thirst against the Board had been delivered.

Resolved—That the said Declaration be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with respect to the proceedings.

38. The Chairman stated that the Parliamentary Committee, on the occasion of a recent interview with the City Chamberlain, had requested him to furnish a printed copy of the City Accounts for the use of the Board, and that the copy had been supplied, and the Clerk laid the same before the Board.

39. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th March, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are seventeen applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of three calendar months and twenty-seven days from the 4th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
BERMONDSEY	Hughes, Harry	14,809	126, Grange Road	5	Yard P. d.
CLERKENWELL	Cabon, Geo.	14,826	33, White Lion Street, Pentonville	5	,, ,,
KENSINGTON	Cooper, Jno.	14,842	7, Wiple Place, Church Street	5	,, ,,
PLUMSTEAD	Smith, Geo. Mence	14,844	23, St. James's Place, Bloomfield Road	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	1, Haddon Place, High Road, Lee	5	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	High Street, Eltham	5	,, ,,
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE	Urwick Wm. Walter	14,827	60, St. George's Road, Pimlico	2 qts.	Shop btls.
ST. MARYLEBONE	Harrison, Hy.	14,828	64, Great Portland Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Curtis and Co.	14,843	48, Baker Street	2	,, ,,
STRAND	Kendall, J.	14,484	66, Castle Street, Leicester Square	1	Vlt. P. c.
WOOLWICH	Green, Joseph	14,841	25, Richard Street	1	Shop ,,
,,	,,	,,	Powis Street (rear of)	40	Stable P.d.
,,	Smith, Geo. Mence	14,844	1, Woolwich Road	10	Whse ,,
,,	,,	,,	1, Albion Road	5	Yard ,,
,,	,,	,,	18, Beresford Square	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	54, New Road	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	55 and 56, Plumstead Road	10	,, ,,

The several licenses referred to were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

40. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Weldon, Manager of the London and Westminster Bank, dated 1st March, 1870, thanking the Board for their decision with regard to the payment of interest on certain amounts placed at the Bank by the Board at call.

41. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. William Tayler, Clerk in the Solicitor's Department, dated March 1st, 1870, asking to be allowed to retire on a pension.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

42. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

Chamber of London, Guildhall, 28th February, 1870.

To J. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

THAMES EMBANKMENT AND METROPOLIS IMPROVEMENT FUND.

DEAR SIR,—I beg leave to inform you that I have this day applied for a receivable order from the Treasury for the payment to the above account at the Bank of England of the sum of £54,857 5s. 6d., being the net proceeds of the Coal and Wine Duties payable to that Fund for the quarter ended the 31st December last.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) BENJAMIN SCOTT,
Chamberlain.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

43. The Clerk presented the following letter—

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH ARCHITECTS.
Incorporated 7th William IV.
9, Conduit Street, Hanover Square, W.

DISTRICT SURVEYORS' ASSOCIATION.

To Sir John Thwaites,
Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works, &c., &c., &c.

SIR,—The Association have on several occasions had under consideration the subject of the appointment of District Surveyors on the occurrence of vacancies, and they wish to point out that under the system hitherto followed, no encouragement is given to the existing District Surveyors, however long and efficient their services may have been, in many cases, in small and unremunerative districts. The District Surveyors, therefore, desire very respectfully to urge upon the Metropolitan Board of Works the desirability and justice of promoting those among the existing officers who may have discharged their duties to the satisfaction of the Board, and who may desire such promotion, which should be considered as a reward for long and efficient service.

This principle is adopted in nearly all branches of the Public Service, as well as in public companies, and other large establishments where length of service and good conduct ensure gradual promotion.

The District Surveyors trust that the suggestion which they venture respectfully to lay before the Board may receive their favourable consideration.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) THOs. L. DONALDSON,
Chairman of the Committee.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

44. Read a letter from Messrs. Underwood and Colman, dated 2nd March, 1870, relative to the Order of the Board with reference to the numbering of the houses in Osnaburgh-street, belonging to their client, Mr. Bull, stating that he protested against the Order, and would resist its execution if steps were taken for carrying it into effect, and requesting to be furnished with copies of certain documents relating to the subject.

The Clerk reported that he had consulted the Solicitor who had suggested a form of reply to the letter, and that a copy of the resolution of the Board of the 18th ultimo (No. 10) should be sent to Messrs. Underwood and Colman.

Resolved—That a communication, as suggested by the Solicitor, be sent to Messrs. Underwood and Colman.

45. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 25th February last, (No. 12), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Union-street, &c..... City of London and Whitechapel.
Holloway-road..... Islington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the consent of the Board to the erection of flank walls of houses at the corner of Sandbrook-road, Harcombe-road, and Oldfield-road, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of three houses in Lewisham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

48. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Holland, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front at the corner of Ash-street and Deacon-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

49. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Neave, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of the houses Nos. 9 and 10, Marylands-road, Harrow-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the proposed shops and the existing pavement be given up and added to the footway previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the shops do not exceed fifteen feet, that the frontage line do not extend beyond the flank wall of No. 10, Marylands-road; and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. B. Williams, on behalf of Messrs. Cockerell for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window at their office in Buckingham Palace Road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

51. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Carman, on behalf of Mr. Isaacs, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of the house No. 2, Chalk Farm-road, Camden Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed that of the adjoining shops, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Edwards, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of the house No. 1, Chalk Farm-road, Camden Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed that of the adjoining shops, and that the erection in other respects be made

in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

53. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, on behalf of Mr. James Broomfield, for the consent of the Board to the construction of eaves and gable timbers to the roofs of a house and shop and three cottages in High-street, Rochampton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

54. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Fairall and Weeks, for the consent of the Board to the construction of projecting eaves to a villa in Endlesham-road, Nightingale-lane, Balham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

55. Whitechapel—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs Gaudet, Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a balcony of iron, at their premises, the London and Continental Wharf, Lower East Smithfield, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

56. Bethnal Green—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas J. Hill, on behalf of Mr. Frost, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the premises No. 18, Cheshire-street, Hare-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

57. Paddington—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Kent, on behalf of the Rev. W. H. Hodge, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of an iron school-room in a yard leading from Chippenham mews into Goldney-road, Harrow-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

58. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John B. Burney, for the approval by the Board of shed buildings with timber uprights, erected on premises near Battersea-bridge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

59. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Cookson, Wainwright, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Thomas Single, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses in a narrow road leading from Charlton-road, to Clifton-grove, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be not granted.

60. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Puttick, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road, 20 feet in width, with one entrance, to lead out of Luscombe-street, Wandsworth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

61. St. Luke, Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Collier, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a new road on the site of Peerless Pool, Baldwin-street, and of the name "Radsworth-street," for the same.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

62. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Richardson and Waghorn, on behalf of Mr. E. A. Chaston, for a modification of the condition imposed by the Order of the Board of the 17th July, 1868, (No. 61), with respect to the formation of a portion of a footway in Willingham-terrace, Kentish Town, by the substitution of gardens in front of the houses Nos. 1 and 2, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

63. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd March, 1870, on the application of Major Petrie, for the incorporation of Hanover-villas and Hanover-terrace-villas with Hanover-terrace, and for the re-numbering of the houses in the whole line of thoroughfare.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

64. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Daniel Austin, for permission to substitute the name "Surrendale-place, Sutherland-gardens, for "Surrendale-street," approved by the Board on the 10th July, 1868, (No. 86).

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted.

65. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment, by the Board, of Fees to Mr. Edward Power and Mr. John Young, Surveyors of the Southern and Eastern Divisions of the City of London, in respect of services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

Resolved, and **ordered**—That fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 7 and 1 to 20 inclusive, be paid to Mr. Edward Power and Mr. John Young, the District Surveyors mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by them in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

66. Kensington.—Read a communication from Mr. Alfred Williams, Assistant District Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of South Kensington, dated 23rd February, 1870, notifying that a new parsonage house was about to be erected next St. Peter's Church, Onslow-gardens, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker, as follows—**Whereas**, Mr. Alfred Williams, Assistant District Surveyor of the District of South Kensington, did, on the 23rd day of February, 1870, give notice to this Board, that he, the said Alfred Williams, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a new parsonage house, next St. Peter's Church, Onslow-gardens, within the District aforesaid: and the said Alfred Williams, has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Sancton Wood, Surveyor of the District of Chelsea, be appointed by this Board, and the said Sancton Wood is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

67. Wandsworth.—Read a communication from Mr. Edward I'Anson, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Clapham and the Southern Division of Battersea, dated 25th February, 1870, notifying that certain stables at a house in Loat's-road, Clapham, and a house in the rear of stables in Wandsworth-road in which he is interested, were about to be erected, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Edward I'Anson, Surveyor of the District of Clapham, and the Southern Division of Battersea, did, on the 25th day of February, 1870, give notice to this

Board that he was interested in certain stables which were about to be erected in Loat's-road, Clapham and in a house about to be erected at the rear of stables in Wandsworth-road, within the District aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. John Mullins Surveyor of the District of Streatham, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Mullins is hereby appointed, to survey the said stables in Loat's-road, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof: And that Mr. Henry John Hansom, Surveyor of the District of North Battersea, be appointed by this Board, and the said Henry John Hansom, is hereby appointed to survey the said building in Wandsworth-road, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

68. Wandsworth.—Read a communication from Mr. Horace Field, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Putney and the Hamlet of Roehampton, dated 24th February, 1870, notifying that certain alterations were about to be made to the premises, known as Alton Lodge, Roehampton-park, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, as follows—Whereas, Mr. Horace Field, Surveyor of the District of Putney and the Hamlet of Roehampton, did, on the 24th day of February, 1870, give notice to this Board that he, the said Horace Field was engaged to act professionally in respect of alterations at Alton Lodge, Roehampton-park, within the District aforesaid; and the said Horace Field has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Alfred James Hiscocks, Surveyor of the District of Wandsworth and Tooting Graveney, be appointed by this Board, and the said Alfred James Hiscocks is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

69. Metropolis.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd March, 1870, relative to the recovery of expenses incurred by the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police with respect to Dangerous Structures, the accounts for which had been handed over to the Board for collection on the transfer of the jurisdiction to them by the Act of last Session.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, calling attention, in connection with the subject of Tramways and the use of Locomotives on roads, to the introduction into Edinburgh of a new road steamer, for traction purposes.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills relating to tramways.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 11th March, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 10.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **11th** day of **March,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.		
Henry Bidgood, Esq.		
Charles Harris, Esq.		
William Henry Dalton, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 4th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. This being the day appointed for opening Tenders for the construction of sewerage works for diverting the drainage from certain sewer outlets in the Limehouse District, into the Low Level Sewer, the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

The Engineer's Estimate for the said works, amounting to £5,500, was handed to the Chairman.

Resolved—That the said Tenders be now opened.

The said Tenders were then opened as follows—

Mr. John Ladd, Ilford, Essex	£2,650	0	0
Mr. James Hayward, Pitlake Sawmills, Croydon, Surrey	4,000	0	0
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington Cross, Lambeth, Surrey	4,444	0	0
Messrs. Hill, Keddell, and Waldram, 38, Kingsland-road	4,743	0	0
Mr. William Maxwell, Chesterton-road, Plaistow	4,900	0	0
Mr. E. Thirst, John-street, Chelsea	5,089	0	0
Mr. Richard Hubbard, Blackthorn-street, Bromley, Middlesex	5,100	0	0
Mr. James Bloomfield, West Green-road, Tottenham	5,300	0	0
Mr. Thomas Morris, 20, Newington-causeway	5,500	0	0
Mr. George Munday, Limehouse	5,638	0	0
Mr. John Blackmore, 1, Spencer-road, New Wandsworth	5,748	0	0
Mr. J. G. B. Marshall, Martin-street, Stratford	5,855	0	0
Mr. William Crockett, 53, King's-road, Camden Town	8,550	0	0

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee for the consideration of the several Tenders, and do meet again at this place at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held pursuant to the above adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **11th** day of **March**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

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William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.

1. Mr. Richardson brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Committee of the Whole Board.

Spring Gardens, 11th March, 1870.

Your Committee have considered the several Tenders for the diversion of certain Sewer Outlets in the Limehouse District, referred to them by the Board this day, and beg to recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. J. Hayward, for the execution of the Works for the sum of £4,000 be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
JA$^{s.}$ BROOKER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the Tender of Mr. James Hayward for the execution of the works for the diversion of certain Sewer Outlets in the Limehouse District into the Northern Low Level Sewer, for the sum of £4,000, be accepted, subject to the result of inquiries as to his competency to carry out the works being satisfactory.

The representative of Mr. Hayward was called in and informed by the Chairman of the foregoing resolution.

2. The Chairman referred to the proceedings of the Joint Committee under the Kew and other Bridges Act, and stated that they had thought it desirable to deal with Kingston Bridge first; that the Committee had found that it was in the hands of Trustees and subject to a Mortgage from the Crown, and that they had paid off the remainder of the mortgage, £15,600, and had completed the necessary arrangements for opening the Bridge to-morrow to the public free of toll; that the members of the Committee would be the guests of the Corporation of Kingston; and that Sir J. C. Lawrence, who was at the present time, according to arrangement, the Chairman of the Committee, would represent the Committee on the occasion.

The Chairman also alluded to the reply given in the House of Commons last evening by Sir J. C. Lawrence to a question by Viscount Enfield with regard to freeing from toll the other Bridges mentioned in the Act, and stated that he did not think it probable that the joint Committee would be able, without further statutory powers, to take action with respect to the remaining Bridges, inasmuch as the provisions of the present Act were defective as regarded the payment of interest on money borrowed, and that the Committee had already experienced much difficulty in raising the funds for freeing Kingston-bridge from toll.

The Chairman also stated that during the passage of the Kew, &c. Bridges Bill through Parliament a cheque had been drawn by the Board for £143 in favour of Messrs. Dyson and Co., the Parliamentary Agents, to meet expenses; that Messrs. Dyson's Account had since been paid by Mr. Corrie, the City Remembrancer, by direction of the joint Committee, and that Mr. Corrie had also paid to the Clerk a cheque for the sum of £143 in repayment of the amount advanced by the Board. The cheque was then handed to the Cashier.

3. Mr. Thompson handed in the following letter, which was read—

Vestry of the Parish of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell,
Vestry Hall, Clerkenwell,
23, Upper Rosoman-street, E.C.,
March 11th, 1870.

PROPOSED NEW STREET FROM OLD STREET WESTWARD.

DEAR SIR,—This Vestry have appointed a Deputation to wait upon your Board for the purpose of presenting a memorial upon this subject.

You will therefore oblige by kindly favouring them with an appointment for the purpose as early as convenient.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the Vestry of Clerkenwell be informed that the Board will be prepared to receive the proposed Deputation at their Meeting on Friday next.

4. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 8th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 5th March, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
General	..	211,625 14 6	115 2 0	..	211,510 12 6
Fire Brigade	..	28,119 5 11	2,884 5 11	..	25,235 0 0
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,138 19 9	..	..	1,138 19 9
Victoria Park Approach	4,134 19 0	..	..	4,134 19 0	..
Finsbury Park	..	665 9 10	..	..	665 9 10
Southwark Park	..	1,044 6 6	..	..	1,044 6 6
Whitechapel Improvement	..	5,107 6 11	634 17 10	..	4,472 9 1
Holborn Improvement	..	305 3 6	..	..	305 3 6
Kensington Improvement	..	6,379 17 6	138 3 0	..	6,241 14 6
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	52,122 10 7	7,304 13 9	..	44,817 16 10
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	..	31,761 0 9	804 5 0	..	30,956 15 9
Park Lane Improvement	..	3,213 17 10	..	..	3,213 17 10
Chelsea Embankment	..	4,159 2 1	..	..	4,159 2 1
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,536 2 1	..	..	1,536 2 1
Consolidated Loans Fund (For Investment see below.)	94,480 16 10	..	..	94,480 16 10	..
£	98,615 15 10	348,678 17 9	11,881 7 6	98,615 15 10	336,797 10 3
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	98,615 15 10	..	..	98,615 15 10
		250,063 1 11			238,181 14 5
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,864 5 1	512 13 0	..	1,351 12 1
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
Thames Embankment, North	..	73,730 19 11	6,450 0 0	..	67,280 19 11
Southern Embankment	..	167,107 14 2	5,876 3 0	..	161,231 11 2
Mansion House Street	6,212 3 4	..	204 11 1	6,416 14 5	..
Metropolis Main Drainage	..	150 0 0	150 0 0	..	..
£	6,212 3 4	240,988 14 1	12,680 14 1	6,416 14 5	228,512 11 1
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	6,212 3 4	..	..	6,416 14 5
		234,776 10 9			222,095 16 8
Totals £	..	486,703 17 9	25,074 14 7	..	461,629 3 2

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,259 16s. 11d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from the 21st February to the 5th March, 1870—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.		
Rates	442 0 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	27 3 0	
Building Act Fees	5 10 0	
Plans, &c., sold	2 10 0	
Costs recovered	0 4 0	
		477 7 0
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Chimney-fire Penalties	70 7 6	
Watching Premises	4 15 0	
Compensation for damage to Stand-pipe	0 14 6	
		75 17 0
TINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.		
Rents		34 6 10
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.		
Rates		48 0 0
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Sale of Hoarding	85 2 0	
Rents	69 2 10	
		154 4 10
		£789 15 8

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various Principal Officers for the payment to Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £16,246 1s. 0d., be paid.

Your Committee have further to report that they find that a sum of £7 15s. 2d., balance of the Petty Cash Account at the time of the suspension of the late Accountant, was owing to Mr. Brune; and as the accounts in relation to this matter are about to be closed, they recommend—

That a cheque for that sum be drawn and paid to Mr. Brune.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Messrs. Judd and Glass, requesting a payment to the extent of £250 on account of their bills for printing, up to the 31st December, 1869. They have received a statement from the Clerk of the Board to the effect that there are some questions as to the charges for corrections, which have caused some delay in the settlement of the bill in question, but that the payment asked for by Messrs. Judd and Glass might very properly be made on account, and they, therefore, recommend—

That a cheque for £250 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass, on account of their bill for printing to the 31st December, 1869.

The Board having, on the 8th October last, (No. 59), referred to your Committee the application of the Kensington Vestry for the sanction of the Board to their borrowing the sum of £10,000, on the security of the General Rates of the parish, for a period of thirty years, for the purpose of defraying the cost of certain proposed improvements at the Mall and at Campden-hill, Kensington, your Committee have now to report that they have had before them particulars and plans of the proposed improvements, and also reports by the Engineer and the Architect upon them; and your Committee, being satisfied that the proposed improvements will be of great benefit to the adjacent localities and that the estimated cost of the same is fair and reasonable, beg to recommend—

That the Kensington Vestry be permitted to borrow the sum of £10,000, for defraying the cost of certain improvements in the Parish, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding thirty years.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 11th ultimo, your Committee beg to report that they have considered the specification for stationery and small stores required by the Board, the Contract for which will expire on the 2nd April next, and that they have requested Mr. Meaden, one of the Members of your Committee, who is practically acquainted with the matters in question, to advise them, in connexion with the preparation of a new form of specification, which he has kindly undertaken to do. The amended specification is now in hand and will be shortly completed; but, as time presses, your Committee beg to recommend your Honorable Board to direct that advertisements for tenders for the stationery, &c., required by the Board be forthwith issued.

The Board, on the 25th February last (No. 68), received from the Superintending Architect a certificate to the effect that the improvement undertaken by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London for setting back Nos. 33, 34, 35, and 36, Lombard-street, towards the cost of which the Board, on the 16th July, 1869, (No. 11), agreed to contribute the sum of £750, had been satisfactorily completed, which they referred to your Committee, who beg to recommend that, as the Commissioners are now entitled to receive the Board's contribution, a cheque for the amount in question viz., £750, be drawn in their favour and be paid to them.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the certificate by the Superintending Architect, that the improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, by the widening of White Horse-lane, Stepney, towards the cost of which the Board, on the 2nd October, 1863, (No. 4), agreed to contribute the sum of £1,200, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive the amount, referred by the Board on the 25th February last, (No. 69), and they have now to recommend—

That a cheque for £1,200, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board towards the cost of the improvement in question, be drawn in favour of the Vestry of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town.

All which your Committee beg to submit,

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£. s. d.
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(3704) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869	414 4 1	
ABBOTT, J.—		
(3705) Anti-corrosive preparation for Boilers at Cremorne Pumping Station, supplied February, 1870	9 0 0	
NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—		
(3706) Leather Valves and other Materials for Pumping Stations, Quarter ending 31st December, 1869—		
Crossness £6 19 2		
Cremorne 12 4 2		
Deptford 0 8 0		
	19 11 4	
PINCHIN, JOHNSON, AND Co.—		
(3707) Oil, Tallow, &c., supplied at Pumping Stations, October and December, 1869—		
Crossness £103 14 1		
Abbey Mills 67 4 9		
	170 18 10	
Carried forward	£613 14 3	..

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ..	613	14	3	..		
Cory, W., and Son—							
(3708)	Coals supplied to Pumping Stations, January, 1870—						
	Deptford £113 7 8						
	Cremorne 94 1 0						
	Crossness 73 12 6						
		281	1	2			
Clark, A.—							
(3709)	Fresh Water for Crossness Pumping Station, December, 1869 ..	16	7	0			
Cow, Hill, and Co.—							
(3710)	Water-proof Clothing for Clerks of Works, &c., December, 1868, to April, 1869	9	13	6			
Silver, S. W., and Co.—							
(3711)	Stockings and Slops for Surveying in Sewers, &c., February, 1870 ..	4	7	0			
Wise, Messrs.—							
(3712)	Medical attendance at Crossness Pumping Station, Half-year to 6th February, 1870	27	0	0			
Jenrick and Morgan—							
(3713	Ventilating Strong-rooms, &c., at Office, February, 1870 .. .	16	3	0			
Bowen, J.—							
(3714)	Sundries for use of Housekeeper, November, 1869, to March, 1870 ..	12	16	3			
Wyld, J.—							
(3715)	Bill for Maps, December, 1868, to November, 1869	2	8	6			
The Gas-meter Company, Limited—							
(3716)	Repairs, &c., to Meter, February, 1870	4	0	0			
Airey, H., Gas-meter Inspector—							
(3717)	Petty Disbursements, October, 1869, to January, 1870	4	11	11			
Thwaites, Sir J., Chairman—							
(3718)	One Quarter's Salary, due Lady-day, 1870	500	0	0			
Officers' Salaries, &c., Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—							
	Quarterly List.						
(3719)	Pollard, J., Clerk of the Board £250 0 0						
(3720)	Cresy, E. Principal Clerk, Clerk's Department .. 125 0 0						
(3721)	Bell, T., Assistant Clerk, ,, .. 43 15 0						
(3722)	Gunn, A., Accountant 150 0 0						
(3723)	Brune, F. D., 1st Clerk, Accountant's Department .. 75 0 0						
(3724)	Campion, G., ,, on Engineer's Accounts .. 75 0 0						
(3725)	Bazalgette, J. W., Engineer 550 0 0						
(3726)	Lovick, T., Assistant Engineer 250 0 0						
(3727)	Grant J., ditto 250 0 0						
(3728)	Cooper, E., ditto 250 0 0						
(3729)	Houghton, F. E., Superintendent, Crossness P. S. .. 75 0 0						
(3730)	Usher, G., ditto Abbey Mills ,, .. 62 10 0						
(3731)	Jeffree, W., ditto Deptford ,, .. 50 0 0						
(3732)	Morley, H. R., Assistant Clerk, Engineer's Department 65 0 0						
(3733)	Gunyon, T., Superintending Draughtsman ,, .. 125 0 0						
(3734)	Walker, W., Clerk of Works, ,, .. 54 12 0						
(3735)	Lloyd, J. T., ditto ,, .. 54 12 0						
(3736)	Bennett, J., ditto ,, .. 54 12 0						
(3737)	Dutchess, W., Schoolmaster, Crossness P. S. .. 20 0 0						
(3738)	Kelly, J., Sluicekeeper 2 10 0						
(3739)	Pikesley, J., ,, ... 10 0 0						
(3740)	Broughton, W. A., ,, ... 5 0 0						
(3741)	Lester, G., ,, ... 16 5 0						
(3742)	Vulliamy, G., Superintending Architect 300 0 0						
(3743)	Smith, W. W., Solicitor 312 10 0						
(3744)	Ward, R., Assistant, Solicitor's Department 150 0 0						
(3745)	Jackson, G. P., ,, ,, (Conveyancing) .. 112 10 0						
(3746)	Tayler, W., Assistant Clerk, ,, ... 56 5 0						
(3747)	Keates, T. W., Gas Examiner 25 0 0						
	Carried forward .. £3,570 1 0	1,492	2	7	..		

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		Brought forward £3,570 1 0	1,492 2 7	..
OFFICERS' SALARIES—Quarterly List—(*continued*)				
(3748)	Airey, H., Gas-meter Inspector	50 0 0		
(3749)	Dethridge, G., ,, ...	50 0 0		
(3750)	Mills, G., ,, ...	50 0 0		
(2751)	Gotto, J., Bailiff	37 10 0		
(3752)	Boggis, G. E., and Wife, Housekeeper	50 0 0		
			3,807 11 0	
	Monthly List—Balances.			
(3753)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	£25 0 0		
(3754)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,,	25 0 0		
(3755)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,,	23 6 8		
(3756)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,,	15 12 6		
(3757)	Estlin, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3758)	Link, G. E. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3759)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,,	12 0 0		
(3760)	Link, W., ,, ,,	11 13 4		
(3761)	Hammond, D. ,, ,,	10 16 8		
(3762)	Spencer, A. ,, ,,	10 16 8		
(3763)	Moore, H. F. ,, ,,	10 16 8		
(3764)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7 0 0		
(3765)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7 0 0		
(3766)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25 0 0		
(3767)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Accountant's Department	16 13 4		
(3768)	Whitworth, E., 3rd Clerk ,,	14 11 8		
(3769)	Doggett, E., Assistant ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3770)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3771)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,,	6 6 8		
(3772)	Fenton, J. ,, ,,	5 0 0		
(3773)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25 0 0		
(3774)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25 0 0		
(3775)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25 0 0		
(3776)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	11 13 4		
(3777)	McDougall, J., Surveyor ,,	25 0 0		
(3778)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,,	25 0 0		
(3779)	Groves, W., ,, ,,	21 13 4		
(3780)	Hunter, R. J. ,, ,,	21 13 4		
(3781)	Crook, W. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3782)	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3783)	Crane, W. ,, ,,	18 6 8		
(3784)	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3785)	Mott, A. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3786)	Bell, J. ,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3787)	Groves, S. ,, ,,	15 12 6		
(3788)	Smith, J. C., Asst. Clerk (from 18th Feb.) ,,	5 18 4		
(3789)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works ,,	18 4 0		
(3790)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,,	9 2 0		
(3791)	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3792)	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3793)	Gibson, G. ,, ,,	8 6 8		
(3794)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,,	8 6 8		
(3795)	Fernley, G. ,, ,,	4 13 4		
(3796)	Little, R. ,, ,,	6 13 4		
(3797)	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,,	6 13 4		
(3798)	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,,	5 8 4		
(3799)	Spake, J. ,, ,,	5 8 4		
(3800)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Architect's Department	25 0 0		
(3801)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer ,,	33 6 8		
(3802)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,,	16 7 5		
(3803)	Morgan, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
(3804)	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman ,,	14 11 8		
(3805)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,,	25 0 0		
(3806)	Pape, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4		
	Carried forward	£812 16 9	5,299 13 7	..

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		Brought forward	£812 16 9	5,299 13 7	..
OFFICERS' SALARIES—Monthly List—Balances—(*continued.*)					
(3807)	White, C. W.	,, ,,	15 12 6		
(3808)	Chapman, W.	,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3809)	Welsh, R.	,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3810)	Knight, W. H.	,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3811)	Robertson, T. J.	,, ,,	9 3 4		
(3812)	Bailey, A. J.	,, ,,	7 0 0		
(3813)	Hogarth, R.	,, Solicitor's Department	27 10 0		
(3814)	Hinchliff, G.	,, ,,	25 0 0		
(3815)	Fry, C.	,, ,,	23 6 8		
(3816)	Hertslet, F.	,, ,,	11 13 4		
(3817)	Bloomfield, E.	,, ,,	12 10 0		
(3818)	Scott, G. W.	,, ,,	10 0 0		
(3819)	Holland, T., Record Room Keeper (to 5th March)		3 17 5		
(3820)	Dickins, C.,	,,	8 6 8		
				1,004 6 8	
OFFICERS' RETIRING AND COMPENSATION ALLOWANCES—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870.					
Granted by late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers—					
(3821)	Budd, B., late Labourer in Trust ..	£13 6 8			
(3822)	Roe, J. ,, Surveyor	50 0 0			
			63 6 8		
Granted by the Board—					
	To Officers of late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.				
(3823)	Hertslet, L. C., late Order Clerk ..	£75 0 0			
(3824)	Quarrell, J. ,, Clerk of Works ..	19 5 11			
(3825)	Head, T. ,, Collector	14 16 3			
(3826)	Phillips, B. ,, ,, ...	18 10 0			
(3827)	Pollard, Ann ,, Housekeeper ..	12 10 0			
			140 2 2		
	To Officers of the Board.				
(3828)	Hatton, G. S., late Accountant.. ..	£62 10 0			
(3829)	Anderson, C., ,, Clerk of Works ..	14 12 6			
(3830)	Holland, T., ,, Record-room Keeper (from 5th March) ..	3 17 8			
			81 0 2		
	To Officers of Metropolitan Buildings Office.				
(3831)	Lower, E. W., late Surveyor ..	£41 13 4			
(3832)	Benson, W., ,, Surveying Clerk ..	22 10 0			
(3833)	Bursill, W. F., ,, Lithographer ..	13 0 0			
(3834)	Squires, G. W., ,, Extra Clerk, &c. ..	7 11 6			
(3835)	Brooks, J., ,, Office Keeper ..	6 5 0			
			90 19 10		
				375 8 10	
					6,679 9 1
	FIRE BRIGADE.				
SHAND, MASON, AND CO.—					
(2393)	Hose-reel, supplied January, 1870			14 0 0	
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—					
(2394)	Hose-reel, supplied January, 1870			14 0 0	
STANDIDGE AND CO.—					
(2395)	Lithography, December, 1869—Wandsworth Station			5 4 0	
OFFICERS' SALARIES, &c., Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—					
(2396)	Shaw, Captain E. M., Chief Officer		£225 0 0		
(2397)	Cresy, E., Architect		62 10 0		
(2398)	Bevan, N., Receiver of Chimney-fire Penalties (Balance)		16 13 4		
				304 3 4	
PENSIONS TO LATE OFFICERS, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—					
(2399)	Fogo, G.		£30 0 0		
(2400)	Henderson, R.		30 0 0		
(2401)	Staples, G. R.		30 0 0		
		Carried forward	£90 0 0	337 7 4	6,679 9 1

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward £90 0 0	337 7 4	6,679 9 1
PENSIONS TO LATE OFFICERS (*continued.*)			
(2402) Morris, G.	10 0 0		
(2403) Tozer, R.	10 0 0		
(2404) Wilkinson, W.	10 0 0		
(2405) Holloway, W.	7 10 0		
(2406) Cooper, G.	5 0 0		
(2407) Barrow, R.	5 0 0		
(2408) Goddard, C.	2 10 0		
(2409) Perkin, J.	9 2 0		
		149 2 0	
			486 9 4
SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION.			
BROOKER, J. W.—			
(85) Repairing Fencing, February and May, 1869		.. ..	5 8 0
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.			
HILL AND KEDDELL—			
(608) Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869		.. ..	3 19 2
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT.			
BROOKER, J. W.—			
(566) Fencing and Notice-boards, December, 1869		78 11 11	
COOK, R. J., AND Co.—			
(567) Lithography, November, 1869		3 12 6	
			82 4 5
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.			
HISCOX AND WILLIAMS, Contractors—			
(16) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Westminster Steam-boat Pier to Pimlico—Contract No. 150..		5,659 0 0	
WILLIAMS, J. & S., Contractors—			
(17) Further on account of Sewers, Wood Lane, Shepherd's Bush, Lawn Place, &c.—Contract No. 129		333 15 0	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(18) Further on account of Sewers, Plough Road, &c., Rotherhithe— Contract No. 133		418 0 0	
WHITAKER, W.—			
(19) Professional Charges, *re* Crossness Well		10 10 0	
			6,421 5 0
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
BROOKER, J. W.—			
(21) Hoarding, Shoring, &c.—December, 1869		21 0 0	
SERVING PARLIAMENTARY NOTICES, SESSION 1870—			
(22) Spink, W.	£4 2 6		
(23) Boggis, L.	5 12 0		
		9 14 6	
			30 14 6
MANSION HOUSE STREET.			
BROOKER, J. W.—			
(37) Taking down and re-building wall, rear of Poultry, December, 1869 ..		285 0 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL—			
(38) General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869		30 8 10	
			315 8 10
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(4) *General*—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd March, 1870	£564 16 6		
Collectors' Poundage, February, 1870— St. George, Hanover Square	25 13 3		
Compensations for damage by Flooding at Poplar	20 10 0		
Carried forward	£610 19 9	.. ..	14,024 18 4

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	£610 19 9	..	..	..	14,024 18 4
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT (*continued.*)					
General—					
Advertisements, February, 1870—District Surveyor and Limehouse Sewers ..	5 4 0				
Petty Cash Payments, 22nd February, to 7th March, 1870	115 1 1				
Rates and Taxes—					
For Premises used for Drainage Purposes	14 17 0				
,, Gas-meter Testing-houses ..	6 9 2				
		752 11 0			
Fire Brigade—					
Weekly Wages, (Draughtsman)—Two Weeks to 2nd March, 1870	£5 0 0				
Ditto (Firemen)—Two Weeks to 5th March, 1870	1,025 6 0				
Sundry small Bills—for Repairs at Stations	1 11 6				
Superannuation Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service.. ..	3 4 0				
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 5th March, 1870	3 2 0				
Rent of Lodgings for Firemen—Month of February, 1870	115 5 9				
Rates, Taxes, Insurance, Water, and Gas— For sundry Stations	160 14 7				
		1,314 3 10			
Whitechapel Improvement—					
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd March, 1870 ..		6 6 0			
Kensington Improvement—					
Fair Copying, November, 1869		0 18 1			
Main Drainage and Main Sewers—					
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd March, 1870 ..		61 12 0			
Chelsea Embankment—					
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 2nd March, 1870 ..		7 19 9			
Main Drainage Rate Collection—					
Collector's Poundage, February, 1870, St. George, Hanover Square		0 12 0			
			2,144 2 8		

THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—					
(6) *Thames Embankment, North*—					
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to2nd March, 1870	£20 6 0				
Special Jury Expenses, *re* Sir R. Peel ..	26 1 10				
Expenses serving Notices, Thames Embankment Bill, 1870	6 8 4				
Photography February, 1870—Strudwick, W.	0 10 0				
		53 6 2			
Mansion House Street—					
Special Jury Expenses, *re* Medus		23 13 10			
			77 0 0		
				2,221 2 8	
		TOTAL			£16,246 1 0

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
THOS. J. WHITE,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
G. P. MEADEN.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, with the exception of the amount of £414 14s. 1d., recommended in favour of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for their General Contract Works Account, be paid, and that that Account be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

Cheques for sums amounting in the whole to £15,831 16s. 11d. were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Brune be reimbursed the sum of £7 15s. 2d., the balance of his Petty Cash Account up to December, 1868; and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £250 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass, on account of their Bill for printing to 31st December last, and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sanction of the Board be given to the Vestry of Kensington borrowing the sum of £10,000 for defraying the cost of certain improvements in the Parish, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, and the principal sum with interest thereon to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding thirty years.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the preparation of a new form of Specification for the Stationery required by the Board be approved, and that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the Supply of Stationery.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £750 be drawn in favour of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board, on the 16th July, 1869, (No. 11), to the cost of an improvement effected by the Commissioners, by setting back the houses Nos. 33, 34, 35. and 36, Lombard-street, and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £1,200 be drawn in favour of the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board on the 2nd October, 1863, (No. 4), to the cost of an improvement effected by the Vestry, by the widening of White Horse-lane, Stepney; and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

5. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 7th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have drawn the following cheques for payments in connexion with the Improvements now being carried out—

Whitechapel Improvement.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Watts, H. W.—			
Moiety of expenses incurred for rebuilding party wall of No. 23, Church Lane ..	£42 8 6		
Costs	8 8 0		
		50 16 6	
Proportion of expenses incurred, and losses sustained, through damage to party wall of No. 14, Plough Street—			
Parsons, William	£11 5 0		
Bellof, Conrad	17 7 0		
		28 12 0	
Carried forward		£79 8 6	..

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	79 8 6	..
Farebrother, Lye, and Wheeler—			
Valuers' Charges, under the 85th Section—			
Re Ibbetson	£13 3 0		
„ Waller	16 3 0		
		29 6 0	
			108 14 6
Kensington Improvement.			
Hall, Robert, Collector—			
Water Rates, to Lady day, 1869		..	12 3 0
Stingo Lane Improvement.			
Re Taylor—			
Walker, William—			
Costs of Title and Conveyance, and preliminary Charges		52 10 2	
One Quarter's Rent of No. 11, Stingo Lane, to Michaelmas, 1869 ..	£2 0 0		
less Tax	0 0 10		
		1 19 2	
Re Cox—			
Hyde and Tandy—One year's Rent of No. 4, Stingo Lane, to Christmas, 1869	£6 0 0		
less Tax	0 2 7		
		5 17 5	
			60 6 9
Southern Embankment.			
Farebrother, Lye, and Wheeler—			
Valuers' Charges, under the 85th Section—			
Re Gibbs		33 0 0	
„ Folkard		2 2 0	
			35 2 0
Mansion House Street.			
Re Thorn—			
Norton, Trist, Watney, and Co.—Surveyors' Charges, as Witnesses for the Board		14 3 0	
Re St. Pancras, Soper Lane—			
Wray, George, Churchwarden—Deficiency in Poor Rate, made 16th December, 1869		2 0 0	
			16 3 0
			£232 9 3

Your Committee find that the following cheques are required in respect of the formation of the roadway from Plumstead to Crossness Pumping Station. Your Committee recommend that cheques be drawn for the amounts on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Webb—		
Colquhoun, J.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	..	34 13 4
Re Newman—		
Colquhoun, J.—		
Costs of Title and Conveyance	14 0 0	
Charges for tracing reversions	6 0 0	
		20 0 0
		£54 13 4

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) T. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN SAVAGE,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. NEWTON,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the following Cheques be now drawn, viz.—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

(In respect of Crossness Roadway.)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Webb—		
Colquhoun, J.—Costs of Title and Conveyance		34 13 4
Re Newman—		
Colquhoun, J.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	14 0 0	
Charges for tracing reversion	6 0 0	
		20 0 0
		£54 13 4

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

6. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 8th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have given further consideration to the Bill of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, for extending their line to the Mansion House, against which a Petition has been presented by the Board. Your Committee are of opinion that the Board should appear by Counsel before the Committee of the House of Commons, and express strongly their opinion that, before Parliament grant to the Company any further powers of extension, they should fully carry out their original scheme, viz., the completion of the Inner Circle of Railways. With this view they have instructed the Solicitor to retain two Counsel, on behalf of the Board, against this Bill and against the Bill of the Metropolitan Railway Company for abandoning a portion of the Tower Hill Extension, and also to obtain such witnesses as may be necessary.

Your Committee have also had under consideration a letter from the Metropolitan District Railway Company, requesting the consent of the Board to the construction of a station on their line between Bread-street and Fish-street-hill. This letter was referred by the Board on the 26th November last (No. 16) to the Works and General Purposes Committee, and by them referred to your Committee as being rather a matter for their consideration. The Company, in their letter, call attention to the 61st Section of their Act of 1864, which provides, amongst other things, that the Company shall not, without the consent of the Board under their Common Seal, construct any other stations under the Embankment and new street to the Mansion-house, than those at Westminster-bridge, Charing-cross, and Norfolk-street. The Company then state that they are desirous of constructing a station between Bread-street and Fish-street-hill, and also that they contemplate forming a station at Black-friars upon ground contiguous to the London, Chatham, and Dover line, for which, however, they have not obtained, and do not ask, the sanction of the Board. Your Committee have received a report from the Engineer on the subject, from which it appears that the formation of the proposed station between Bread-street and Fish-street-hill would materially affect the ground belonging to the Board in the new street, and it would be necessary to consider very carefully the details of the method of formation, should the Board be disposed hereafter to approve of the proposal generally. The Engineer states in his report that the proposed station would seem to be intended as a temporary terminus for the railway, pending the decision of Parliament respecting the extension to the Mansion-house. Your Committee are of opinion that it would be better for the Board to defer a final decision upon this application until Parliament shall have dealt with the Company's Bill for extending their

line to the Mansion-house. In the meantime they recommend that the Company be informed that the Board are not prepared to consent to their proposal, and that their attention be called to the fact that they have not applied for or obtained the sanction of the Board to the contemplated station at Blackfriars Bridge.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration the Tramways Bill lately introduced by the Government, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 24). The object of the Bill is to facilitate the construction and to regulate the working of tramways, and it contains a series of general provisions relative to the formation of tramways in any part of England, by the local authorities, or any person or Body with their consent, on obtaining a certificate from the Board of Trade. In the Metropolis the local authorities are defined to be the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London and the various Vestries and District Boards, no mention being made of this Board. It appears to your Committee that there should be a provision that promoters of tramways, previously to obtaining a certificate from the Board of Trade, should submit their schemes to this Board, in order that they may reconcile the interests of the various districts, and regulate the schemes for the advantage of the inhabitants of the Metropolis generally. They have accordingly instructed the Solicitor to prepare a clause to this effect, and to submit the same to the Board of Trade for insertion in the Bill.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Stamps on Leases Bill, referred by the Board on the 4th instant (No. 20). By the Bill it is proposed that one improving lease made before the 1st February, 1870, shall be liable to additional Stamp Duty over and above the *ad valorem* duty, and that every lease executed since the 1st February last shall be chargeable with the duty of 10s. instead of 35s. Your Committee requested the Chairman to communicate with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and suggest that the exemption from the duty in question should continue until the date of the passing of the Act, and that small property should be altogether exempted from it.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the clauses proposed by the South Eastern Railway Company and the Marquis of Salisbury, for insertion in the Thames Embankment Roadway Bill, referred by the Board on the 23rd ultimo (No. 33). Your Committee are of opinion that the Board should not agree to the insertion of any special clauses in the Bill, and they have instructed the Solicitor accordingly.

Your Committee have also instructed the Solicitor to retain two Counsel against the proposal in the Bill of the Great Eastern Railway Company to construct a railway in an open cutting across the Hackney Downs, instead of in a gallery or covered way, as provided by the Company's Act of 1864.

Your Committee have also, in accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 25th ultimo (No. 8), considered the Memorial of the Greenwich District Board, requesting the Board to appear before the Committee of the House of Lords on the South Eastern Railway Company's Bill, to support the proposal in the Bill for a new line of railway between Greenwich and Woolwich, and to oppose the abandonment of the line between those towns, authorised by the Company's Act of 1865. Your Committee are of opinion that the lines in question would be very beneficial to the inhabitants of the District, and that the Board should lend them assistance in obtaining what they desire. They have, accordingly, under the authority given to them, instructed the Solicitor to retain one Counsel to appear, on behalf of the Board, before the Committee on the Bill.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield—That so much of the Report as relates to the Bill of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, for the extension of their line to the Mansion House be approved, and that the Board do, through their Coun-

sel, represent to the Committee of the House of Commons their opinion that, before Parliament grant to the Company any further powers of extension, the Company should fully carry out their original scheme, viz., the completion of the Inner Circle of Railways.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the Board do refuse their sanction to the application of the Metropolitan District Railway Company for permission to construct a Station between Bread-street and Fish-street-hill, and that the attention of the Company be called to the fact that the consent of the Board has not been obtained to their proposed station at Blackfriars.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tramways Bill be approved, that the Solicitor do prepare and present a petition against the Bill, with a view to the insertion of Clauses empowering the Board to provide for the proper exercise by the Vestries and District Boards, of power as to Tramways, and for securing harmony of Plans, and preventing evil arising from any want of power to secure the effectual working out of any Tramway schemes in the Metropolis, and that the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to such petition.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the proceedings of the Committee with reference to the Stamps on Leases Bill, the Thames Embankment (North) Roadway Bill, the Great Eastern Railway Bill, and the South Eastern Railway Bill, respectively, be approved.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th March, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.				WORK RECOMMENDED.
		Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.					
Ulva-street, Ravenna-road, Putney	About	65	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
ISLINGTON.					
Hanley-road Estate, Hanley-road, and intended roads, Hornsey-rise	About	2,215	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
		*1,080	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	½ brick.	* Recommended for approval, subject to the ground being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
		300	15 inch.	Pipe.	
		3,685	12 ,,	,,	
Intended roads east side of Hornsey-road, Holloway ..	About	240	15 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
		420	12 ,,	,,	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th March, 1870, on an application from Mr. W. Lyon, No. 85, Asylum Road, Peckham, for permission to substitute pipes for the portion of the old brick sewer, upon the site of which the Board on the 7th May, 1869, (No. 1) granted him their license to extend a part of his house; stating as that nearly all the sewage had been diverted from the part of the old White Post Lane Sewer, there was no objection to the substitution of 12 inch stoneware pipes for the length adjoining the applicant's premises, about 48 feet, on condition that the work was done at his sole cost, by the Board's General Contractor, and that he deposited with the Accountant of the Board, before its commencement, the sum of £8, the estimated cost.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted on the conditions recommended therein.

9. The Solicitor reported that the London Street Tramways Bill, the North London Tramways Bill, and the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways Bill (Extension) stood for second reading on the 29th April next; that the Government Tramways Bill had been read a second time on Monday last and referred to a Select Committee; and that, with regard to the

North Metropolitan Tramways Bill, the Standing Orders Committee had, on Friday last, reported to the House of Commons that the Standing Order No. 7, requiring that a Bill which originated in the House, and which confers additional powers on the promoting Company, should be submitted to the proprietors of such Company, had been complied with.

10. The Solicitor presented a copy of the first Report of the General Committee of the House of Commons on Railway and Canal Bills of the present Session.

11. The Solicitor reported that the Board of Trade Bill was not yet printed.

12. The Solicitor also reported that the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill had been read a second time and committed for last evening, when it was deferred until Thursday next, and he presented a print of the Bill and a note of the amendments proposed to be made therein in Committee.

13. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Bakehouses Bill stood deferred until Tuesday next.

14. The Solicitor also reported that the second reading of the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill was fixed for the 17th instant and he presented an analysis of the provisions of the Bill.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

15. The Solicitor presented a print of the Income Tax Assessment, &c. Bill and reported that it had been read a second time and committed for this evening.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

16. The Solicitor also presented a copy of the Railways' Construction Facilities Act, 1869, Amendment Bill and reported that it stood for second reading this evening.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee.

17. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had not yet given his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following documents for sealing, viz.—

Agreement with Mr. John Unite for a Lease of Plot 18a in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

A similar Agreement with Messrs. Derry and Toms with respect to plots Nos. 16, 17, and 18.

An Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. William White for building over a portion of the site of the Hackney Brook Sewer, near Wansbeck-road, Hackney.

Assignment by the Guardians of the Poor of St. Luke, Middlesex, to the Board, of leasehold interest in a part of the workhouse premises for the Shepherdess Walk Improvement, and a Memorial for the registration of the same.

Conveyance, in duplicate, from Mr. Edward Colyer to the Board, of Land, &c., at Erith, for the purposes of the roadway to Crossness Pumping Station.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said several documents respectively, and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Bills for creating Municipal Boroughs in the Metropolis, a Metropolitan Corporation of London, and a County of London, were not yet printed.

20. The Solicitor also reported that the Suburban Commons Bill stood for second reading on the 11th May, and that Mr. James Lowther, M.P., had given notice to move that the second reading be deferred until that day six months.

21. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Vernon Harcourt, M.P., had, with reference to the subject of Commons and Waste Lands, asked the Under Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether, before the introduction of any public Bill authorising the inclosure of Commons and Waste Lands, the Government would bring in a measure giving effect to the recommendations of the Committee of last Session as to the amendments required in the existing law, and that Mr. Knatchbull-Hugessen had replied to the effect that he had prepared a Bill for carrying out the recommendations referred to, and for making other considerable changes

in the general law, and that after the introduction of the Bill and before it became law full opportunity for discussion would be afforded.

22. The Solicitor also reported that Viscount Enfield had in the House of Commons asked Sir J. C. Lawrence whether the joint Committee under the Kew and other Bridges Act had selected to free Kingston Bridge from toll in preference to the others, and that Sir J. C. Lawrence had in reply explained the reasons which had guided the Committee in the matter.

23. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Stapleton, M.P., had given notice of his intention to introduce a Bill requiring the Metropolitan Water Companies to supply water for domestic purposes on Sundays; and that Mr. Gladstone had, in reply to a question by Mr. Smith in the House of Commons, with respect to the toll on Chelsea Bridge, stated that the Government were not prepared to remove the toll to the extent suggested, and that the only way in which a reduction of toll could be obtained was by this Board making a proposition to place the charge on the Metropolis.

24. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill had been read a second time on Monday last, and committed; and that the question of the Board's *locus standi* against the Metropolitan Railway Bill had been before the Referees on Tuesday last, that the Board were successful, that the Bill was now grouped and would probably come before the Committee on Thursday next, and that the following were the members of the Committee, viz., Mr. Cross, Chairman; Mr. Samuelson (Banbury); Mr. Dalrymple (Buteshire); and Mr. Kay-Shuttleworth.

25. Read a Report as follows—

March 11th, 1870.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND BAKER *v.* THE WIMBLEDON LOCAL BOARD (OF HEALTH) AND LORD SPENCER.

I have watched this Case, and the Motion came on yesterday.

The injunction asked for was to prevent the defendants enclosing 139 acres, part of Wimbledon Common, within the Manor of Wimbledon, and digging a trench and throwing up a bank for the purpose. The defendant, Lord Spencer, having leased this land to the Local Board for an agricultural farm, and provision being made for draining into the inclosure for the purpose of improving the soil, Lord Spencer to take one half the profits of the undertaking.

The Vice-Chancellor granted an injunction to restrain the defendants from proceeding with the inclosure or doing any other act to hinder the Commoners in the exercise of their common of pasture, the intention of the Vice Chancellor being to keep the matter in *statu quo* until the hearing of the Cause.

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All points of title are reserved for consideration at the hearing of this Cause.

It is not quite clear whether this would prevent using the land for sewage purposes, but probably the injunction may have that effect practically, but I think the Board will instruct the Engineer of the Board to watch and report at once to the Board if any Sewerage Works should be begun on the lands.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Engineer be instructed accordingly.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Moss, dated 8th March, 1870, on behalf of Mr. Wood, applying for compensation for damage sustained by an explosion of gas in Mill-lane, Deptford, alleged to have arisen in consequence of the execution of certain drainage works there.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto, and that the Engineer do forthwith report to that Committee thereon.

27. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 11th March, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

The premises of the seven applicants in the accompanying schedule having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of three calendar months and twenty days from the 11th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
Bethnal Green	Barnard, Alfred Philip	14,866	4, Barnet Street, Hackney Road	1	Shop btls.
Camberwell	Holdom, Alfred	14,867	37, Camberwell Road	5	Yard P. d.
Islington	Tucker, James	14,849	119, Newington Green Road	6	,, ,,
St. Maryle-bone	Robins, Thos. Gregory	14,859	14, Boston Street, Dorset Square	10	,, ,,
St. Pancras	Robins, Jno. Saml.	14,869	19, Grange Road, Kentish Town	8	Whse. ,,
Wandsworth	Graveney, R.	14,850	71, Philip Street, Queen's Road	3	Yard ,,
Woolwich	Wood, James	14,851	22, High Street	5	,, ,,

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

28. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Watkins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of Chepstow House, Peckham-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be not granted.

29. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Jewhurst, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the "Green Man" public-house, Shacklewell-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be not granted.

30. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William J. Gander, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building on ground near the "Earl Darnley" beer-house, West-street, Homerton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that the line of building frontage be kept back 40 feet from the opposite fence; that the space between the proposed frontage line and the existing footway be given up to the public previously to the commencement of building operations, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

31. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Jenkins, for the consent of the Board, to the construction of overhanging eaves to twenty-one cottages in Park-street, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the party walls be corbelled out to break the continuity of the eaves.

32. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Wigmore, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a covered way in front of the house No. 2, Stanford-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

33. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Richard A. Hill, on behalf of Mr. J. G. Pilcher, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the house No. 5, Stockwell-green, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

34. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Wright, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows to ten houses at Crown-hill, Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. M. Girdler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of workshops at the corner of Kennington-road and Lambeth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

36. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. N. Lake, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building on a piece of ground on the north side of High-street, Lower Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

37. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Slater and Carpenter, on behalf of the Marquis of Salisbury, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projecting porch at the house No. 20, Arlington-street, Piccadilly, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed porch do not project beyond the line of the areas in the street, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Woollett, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a cart shed in a yard at the rear of Nos. 146 and 147, Bermondsey-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

39. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Brook Gates, for the approval by the Board of a verandah erected in the rear of his house, Loughton-grove, Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that iron columns be substituted for the proposed wooden supports of the verandah.

40. St. Saviour, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. James M. Macey, on behalf of Mr. Dale, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft in Bear-lane.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

41. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Nicholls, on behalf of Messrs. S. C. Hemming for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open shed at the Marine Cable Telegraph Works in Harrington-road, New Charlton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shed be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

42. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Pain and Clark, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Upland Road to Crystal Palace-road, and of the name "Rippleton-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

43. Chelsea (Detached).—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Jonathan Wood, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a Mews on land adjoining Kensal-road, Harrow-road, and of the name "Bettley-mews" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

44. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Sancton Wood, District Surveyor of Chelsea, stating the effect of the magistrate's decision on the proceedings taken by him respecting the separation of buildings, at the premises No. 148, Sloane-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bill for amending the Building Act.

45. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th March, 1870, stating that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Kensington, by setting back the premises, Nos. 58, 60, 62, and 64, High-street, Notting-hill, towards which the Board, on the 8th May, 1868, (No. 5), had agreed to contribute the sum of £795, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to the payment of the amount.

46. Limehouse.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on correspondence with Mr. Charles Titterton and Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the District of Limehouse, Wapping, &c., relative to the construction of a party wall at Nos. 325 and 326, High-street, Wapping, and the fee charged by Mr. Woodthorpe for professional advice in connection with the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

47. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. B. Williams, on behalf of Messrs. Cockerell and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window at their office at No. 93, Buckingham Palace-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. Woolwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lucas, Brothers, on behalf of Messrs. Siemens, Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a building for telegraph cable manufacture at the Telegraph Works, on the south side of Harrington-road, New Charlton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the cast-iron columns of the building be increased in strength, and that it be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

49. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th March, 1870, stating that Mr. Charles James Badger, District Surveyor for Lewisham, proposed to have his office at No. 6, Ordnance-row, Lewisham-road, (previously occupied by the late District Surveyor,) and that Mr. James Tolley, District Surveyor for Sydenham, had selected a temporary office at Mr. Barrett's, High-street, Upper Sydenham, near the railway station.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the situation of the said District offices be approved.

50. Read a letter from Captain Edward Routh, dated 1st March, 1870, transmitting a copy of resolutions passed at a public meeting of Ratepayers and Inhabitants of Greenwich, &c., approving of the proposed extension of the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways, from Greenwich to Woolwich.

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee.

51. Read a letter from Messrs. John Smith and Co., dated 3rd March, 1870, stating their willingness to continue their Contract for the supply of stationery upon the same terms as at present, or subject to such modifications as the Board may desire.

52. Read a letter from Mr. John Nicholson, the Contractor for sewerage works at Rotherhithe, requesting permission to stop the traffic of Trinity-street during the execution of his works, in order to avoid accidents and consequent claims for compensation.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, with authority to act in the matter as he may deem desirable, and that he do report to the Board at their next meeting the steps taken.

53. Read a letter from Mr. James Tolley, District Surveyor for Sydenham, dated 10th March, 1870, stating that he had paid to Mr. R. P. Browne, the interim Surveyor, the sum of £25 in pursuance of the Order of the Board of Friday last, and requesting to be furnished with a copy of his appointment to the Sydenham District.

Resolved—That a copy of the Order of the Board appointing Mr. Tolley be sent to him.

54. Read a letter from Mr. H. T. Kettel, dated 9th March, 1870, with a Memorial from inhabitants of Cold Harbour-lane, Camberwell, requesting that the houses therein may be renumbered.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

55. Read a letter from Mr. W. Hope, dated 8th March, 1870, with 50 copies of a paper on the treatment of Sewage recently read by him at a meeting of the Society of Arts, and stating that he had received no reply to his letter addressed to the Board on 6th December last.

56. Read a letter from Mr. Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 5th March, 1870, stating, in reply to the communication from this Board declining to undertake the improvement of the Canal Bridge in Plough-lane, Kensal-green, that the Vestry had not stated that they were not prepared to contribute to the cost of the work, and requesting to be informed whether a Vestry or District Board can contribute to the cost of improvements out of their Parish or District, and to be furnished with copies of any opinions of Counsel that may have been taken upon the point.

The Clerk laid before the Board a draft of the reply which the Solicitor had suggested should be sent to the said letter.

Resolved—That a communication as suggested by the Solicitor, be sent to Mr. Lahee.

57. Read a letter from Mr. Thomas Holland, late Record-room Keeper, dated 10th March, 1870, thanking the Board for granting him a retiring allowance.

58. Read a letter as follows—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.
Battersea Rise, Wandsworth, S.W., 10th March, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,

Crystal Terrace, Wandsworth Road, Clapham, (Mr. Pestell).
York Road, Battersea, (Mr. Kaley).
Larkhall Lane, Clapham, (Mr. Gardiner).
Wandsworth Road, Clapham, (Mr. Goodman).

I am instructed by this Board to call your attention to the fact that they are of opinion that projections beyond the general lines of frontage have been erected in the above localities, and that they have accordingly ordered the necessary proceedings to be taken for their removal, but that before summonses can be taken out at the Police Court it is necessary that the general line of buildings should be decided by your Superintending Architect to whom several applications have been made for his decisions without effect, and I am further to request you to be good enough to give the necessary instructions in the matters, as the time within which proceedings can be taken is drawing to a close.

I am, &c.

(Signed) ARTHUR ALEX. CORSELLIS, Clerk.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Superintending Architect, for report.

59. Read a letter from Mr. A. A. Corsellis, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board, dated 10th March, 1870, calling attention to the fact that the South-Western Railway Company, by erecting a fence in front of two cottages recently built in the road leading from the Wandsworth House of Correction to Heathfield, Wandsworth-common, had reduced the width of the road to less than 20 feet of its centre, and requesting this Board to take steps for effecting the removal of such fence.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Solicitor, and that he do take the necessary legal steps with a view to the removal of the fence in question.

60. Read a letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Pancras, dated 9th March, 1870, stating that the Vestry had directed legal proceedings to be taken for enforcing the Order of the Board with regard to the numbering of Nos. 38, 39 and 40, Osnaburgh-street.

61. Read a letter from Lieutenant-Colonel Douglas Labalmondiere, Assistant Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, dated 9th March, 1870, with a copy of a Police Report relative to the use of a steam roller in Highbury New-park between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

Resolved—That a copy of the said letter and report be sent to the Vestry of Islington, accompanied by an intimation that the Board will be glad to be furnished with any explanation which they may desire to give on the subject.

62. Read a letter from Mr. C. Matland, dated 10th March, 1870, with a Memorial from inhabitants of Osborn-street, Whitechapel, referring to a recent resolution of the Whitechapel District Board proposing to change the name of that thoroughfare to "Brick-lane," and objecting to the proposed alteration.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

63. The Superintending Architect presented a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Vestry of Camberwell, dated 3rd March, 1870, stating that the attention of the Vestry had been called to a nuisance arising from the factory belonging to Mr Rowley, of No. 180, Neate-street, which, it was stated, contained a large quantity of explosive matter, supposed to be petroleum or naphtha.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the Superintending Architect do inquire into the facts, and that so soon as he shall have completed the inquiry he do communicate the result to the Vestry.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 18th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 11

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **18th** day of **March,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Orde Hall, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.	Thomas Turner, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.		Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.		Francis Healey, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	
	Thomas John White, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
		Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
	James Brooker, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 11th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. A Deputation from the Vestry of Clerkenwell, introduced by Mr. Thompson, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. J. W. Franklin, Churchwarden; Mr. Wickins, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Feron, Mr. Goad, Mr. Lorenz, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. E. Clark, Mr. C. B. Holliday, Mr. T. Pace, Mr. Poley, Mr. Dawe, and Mr. Robert Paget, Vestry Clerk, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell.

Respectfully Sheweth—

That the Parish of Clerkenwell, containing nearly 70,000 inhabitants, is entirely surrounded by other large and densely populated districts, and is situated in the direct line between East and West of the Metropolis.

That there is at present no direct main thoroughfare from East to West through this part of London, and that the communication between these immense populations is through the most circuitous and inadequate routes, involving great loss of time and inconvenience, and the overcrowding of the present available thoroughfares.

That your Honourable Board, in its wisdom, seeing some years ago the great and urgent need there was for the formation of such a thoroughfare, devised a scheme for opening up a communication direct from the Eastern Counties Railway, or thereabouts, through Old-street, Wilderness-row, Saint John's-square, Theobald's-road, and Hart-street, into New Oxford-street.

That the formation of such a main line of thoroughfare would, in the opinion of your Memorialists, be one of the greatest possible Metropolitan improvements.

That, in anticipation of the formation of this line of thoroughfare, your Honourable Board, some time ago, purchased ground, and caused to be kept back a line of buildings now in course of erection on the south side of Wilderness-row, for the purpose, as your Memorialists believe, of making this part of the thoroughfare of the required width.

That your Memorialists submit that the time has now arrived when such proposed thoroughfare has become a great public necessity, and that the carrying out of the project should be no longer delayed.

Your Memorialists, therefore, very respectfully, but very urgently, pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to take the subject into your serious consideration with a view to such steps being taken toward carrying out the improvement in question, as your Honourable Board may deem fit.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

March 17th, 1870.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the Memorial,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Moreland—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. A Deputation from inhabitants of the Holborn District, introduced by Mr. Hall, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Messrs. Thomas Alfred Burr, Hugh Mather, Septimus Gibbon, George Southcott, John Lloyd, George A. Bentley, Arding and Bond, William Taylor, Henry Munday, William M. Ford, John Goodson, Thomas Ansa, W. Barralet, John Fisher Williams, — Rose, — Pocket, J. H. Vine, John Pullen, and C. F. Hayward, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

Memorial to the Metropolitan Board of Works from a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of St. Andrew, Holborn, St. George-the-Martyr, and other adjoining Parishes, held on 15th March, 1870.

WHEREAS—

It is desirable to construct a street from Old-street through Clerkenwell-green, Liquorpond-street, Theobald's-road, to New Oxford-street, which has been so long contemplated, your Memorialists respectfully, but urgently request that your Board will proceed with this proposed public improvement with as little delay as possible.

(Signed) T. A. BURR, Chairman.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the former reference on the subject to which it relates.

4. The Chairman stated that an accident had happened to Captain Shaw at a fire on Wednesday last, and that he had received a letter from him, to the effect that he was progressing satisfactorily, and expected to be able to resume his duties on Monday next.

5. The Clerk reported that fifty-five applications had been received from candidates for the appointment of Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department, and he laid the same before the Board, as follows—

Alty, Henry, Borough Engineer's Office, Town Hall, Halifax.
Arnold, Thos., 6, South-street, Finsbury.
Atkinson, Fred. G., 6, Quality-court, Chancery-lane.
Badock, John B., 7, Staple-inn.
Bannister, S. S., 151, Edgware-road.
Benson, Wm., 147, Albany-street, Regent's-park.
Clarke, W. Berry, 13, Carrington-street, May Fair, W.
Connell, Fred. I. C., Architect's Department, Municipal Offices, Liverpool.
Creane, Michael, Engineer and Surveyor's Office, Guildhall, E.C.

De Ville, L., 3, Duke-street, Adelphi, W.C.
Dresser, A. W., 25, Azenby-square, Lyndhurst-road, Peckham.
Gadsden, R., Vestry Hall, Paddington.
Glaskin, Donald, Mc D. F., C.E., Liverpool Waterworks.
Gough, J. W., Surveyor and Architect's Department, Municipal Offices, Liverpool.
Hanbury, C. De W., 4, Culmore-terrace, Carlton-road, Peckham.
Hardy, A., Vestry Hall, Walworth.
Haylock, D., 8, Wandle-terrace, South-street, Wandsworth.
Harding, Hector, Farnham, Surrey.
Hofland, Henry H., 112, Bridge-road West, Battersea, S.W.
James, Joseph, A.R.I.B.A., 2, Circus-place, Finsbury-circus.
Johnson, C. W., Town Surveyor's Office, Worthing.
Johnson, John, 22, Buckingham-street, Strand.
Kempster, John, County Surveyor's Office, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
Legg, Charles A., 14, Grafton-street, Mile-end.
Lee, Ph. B., 89, Warwick-street, Belgravia.
Leonard, Wm. Christopher, 5, Wellington-square, Chelsea, S.W.
Lepard, John Thomas, A.K.C., 8, Old Jewry.
Lewes, Chas. H. F., 21, Whitehall-place, S.W.
Liddiard, Joseph, 423, New Cross-road, Deptford.
Livingston, David, Salford Town Hall, Manchester.
Mc Cleary, J. A., Engineer's Department M.B.W.
Macintyre, J. S., 4, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street.
Marsh, J. G., 159, Fenchurch-street.
Morgan, J., Superintending Architect's Department M.B.W.
Norwood, C. Y., Superintending Architect's Department M.B.W.
Paice, Bowes A., 9, George-street, Hanover-square.
Pineo, C. W. E., 14, High-street, Portsmouth.
Potter, James W., 37, Great Pulteney-street.
Pritchard, Edward, Local Government Board, Bedford Leigh, Lancashire.
Quinn, F. J., Borough Engineer's Department, Liverpool.
Raiman, Thomas, Lawn House, Greenwich.
Reeves, H. A., 258, Euston-road, N.W.
Ridge, Lacy W., 23, Bedford-row, W.C.
Rogers, J. M., War Office, Director of Works Department, Surveyor's Branch.
Schmidt, E. W. C., 2, Hermitage-villas, Richmond-road, West Brompton.
Stapley, Henry, 4, Calverley-place, Tunbridge-wells.
Strange, Charles, 123, Sussex-road, Holloway, N.
Tanner, Augustus W., 28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
Tyerman, Frederick, 38, Gracechurch-street.
Waine, William, Albert-road, South Norwood.
Wetherill, James, Batley, Yorkshire.
Whitmore, F., Chelmsford.
Winder, Arthur, 22, Grosvenor-street, Bolton.
Wyard, J. R., 5, Herbert-street, New North-road.
Young, William, 8, St. Mary's-gate, Manchester.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the several applications be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to examine the several Candidates and their Testimonials, and submit to the Board the names of not more than ten, nor less than six, with a view to the selection by the Board of one for the appointment.

6. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor handed in a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London.

SHEWETH—

That from the year 1834 to the present time your Memorialists have sought to effect an improvement in St. Paul's Churchyard with the sanction of the Cathedral authorities, by laying into the public way a portion of the ground enclosed within the railings at the western end of the Cathedral, and they have from time to time communicated with the Dean and Chapter with that object, but until recently without success.

That by the City of London Sewers Act of 1851, your Memorialists are empowered to agree with the Trustees and the Dean and Chapter of the said Cathedral for opening and laying into the public street a portion of the ground lying westward of the great steps leading up to the said Cathedral Church.

That, in answer to our applications recently renewed, a proposition has been made to us by the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's to lay into the public way 6,503 square feet of the ground in question, as shewn by a red tint upon the accompanying Plan in consideration of the sum of £20,000.

That the said sum of £20,000 represents the net cost of the Improvement independent of all professional expenses incidental to the negotiation, which are to be paid by your Memorialists in addition.

That it is further proposed to construct a new enclosure of an ornamental character, and in a manner that pedestrians can cross over the whole space which will intervene between the steps at the western entrance of the Cathedral and the proposed new line of street, subject to certain reserved rights on behalf of the Dean and Chapter to control and stop such traffic on special occasions.

And it is distinctly stated that the purchase-money, after deducting the cost of these alterations, is to be wholly applied by the Dean and Chapter to the adornment of the Cathedral, and to no other purpose.

Your Memorialists feel that the improvement is one which needs no argument, in its favour, a glance at the Plan being sufficient to convince all who are acquainted with that well-known spot of its extreme importance to the public.

That your Memorialists, fully impressed therewith, are prepared to accept the proposition of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's and carry out the improvement, provided that your Honorable Board will contribute towards the cost of the same.

Signed by Order of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London.

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW, Principal Clerk.

Sewers' Office, Guildhall,
16th March, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders —That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Mr. Bidgood handed in a communication, which was read as follows—

St. James's, Westminster.
Vestry Hall, Piccadilly, W., 18th March, 1870.

METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS.

SIR,—I am instructed to transmit you the accompanying copy of a Resolution passed by this Vestry, and to request the favour of your laying the same before the Metropolitan Board of Works at its meeting to-day.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GEORGE BUZZARD, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

St. James, Westminster, 17th March, 1870. } At a Vestry.

Present: W. Burt, Esq., Churchwarden, &c., &c., &c.

IT WAS RESOLVED—

That Parliament having sanctioned the principle of permitting tramways in the streets of the metropolis, it is the opinion of this Vestry—

1st. That in order to secure to the Metropolitan community the utmost advantage that can arise from the formation of tramways in the streets for facilitating intercommunication, and at the same time reducing to the utmost the inevitable obstruction and inconvenience which will be occasioned to other traffic by their introduction, as also to the householders on the lines, it is desirable that the necessary routes should be laid out, and the trams constructed, on one well-considered, comprehensive scheme for the whole metropolis, and also worked under the direction of one central authority.

2nd. That the Metropolitan Board of Works, constituted as it expressly was for promoting and effecting improvements in the metropolis, is the body on which that duty should devolve.

3rd. That it be respectfully urged upon the Metropolitan Board of Works to seek from Parliament the concession of the privilege to construct tramways, and to direct the traffic management of the same, and to apply the accruing profits for the public improvements of the metropolis, in relief of the rates.

Extracted from the Minutes.

(Signed) GEORGE BUZZARD, Vestry Clerk.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bill on the subject of Tramways.

8. Read a letter as follows—

St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, Vestry Hall, Borough-road,
17th March, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I have to communicate the following resolution of the Vestry of this Parish, passed at their last Meeting—

"RESOLVED—That, with reference to the Supply of Water to the Metropolis, the Metropolitan "Board of Works be informed that this Vestry are decidedly of opinion that it is highly desirable "that there should be a constant supply, and that if such supply cannot otherwise be had, the "matter of the Supply of Water to the Metropolis should be placed in the hands of a Metropolitan "Authority, such as the Metropolitan Board of Works."

I remain, &c.

(Signed) DANIEL BIRT.

J. Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

9. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor called the attention of the Board to the fact that from the notice boards exhibited in Queen Victoria Street, it appeared that the Works and General Purposes Committee proposed to submit three plots only at the present time to auction, and **moved**—That the Committee be requested to consider the propriety of at once submitting to public auction the several plots of building land in the line of the street.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Freeman, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

10. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board, appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **18th** day of **March**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—SIR JOHN THWAITES, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

JOSEPH MORELAND, ESQ.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ.
HENRY BIDGOOD, ESQ.
JOHN ORDE HALL, ESQ.
GEORGE HUDSON, ESQ.
ALEXANDER NESBITT SHAW, ESQ.
THOMAS BEVEN, ESQ.
THOMAS TURNER, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.
JAMES BROOKER, ESQ.
WILLIAM HENRY DALTON, ESQ.
ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.
HENRY LOWMAN TAYLOR, ESQ., DEPUTY.
JAMES EBENEZER SAUNDERS, ESQ.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, ESQ.
CHARLES HENRY ELT, ESQ.
JOHN SAVAGE, ESQ.
THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
WILLIAM ARNOLD HADDON HOWS, ESQ.
CHARLES WESTERTON, ESQ.
HENRY DODD, ESQ.
WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, ESQ.
CHARLES STUART BARKER, ESQ.
PHILIP HEMERY LE BRETON, ESQ.
THOMAS BRUSHFIELD, ESQ.
JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.
CYRUS LEGG, ESQ.
SILLS JOHN GIBBONS, ESQ., ALD.
EDWARD JOHN THOMPSON, ESQ.
WILLIAM CLARK, ESQ.
WILLIAM NEWTON, ESQ.
JOHN SAMUEL PHILLIPS, ESQ.
ROBERT TAYLOR, ESQ.
FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ.
FRANCIS HEALEY, ESQ.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens, 15th March, 1870.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 18th day of March, 1870, at half-past twelve o'clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

To receive Report from Works and General Purposes Committee.

1. Stating that Cheques, as follows, have been drawn—

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Fagg—(Claim settled at £425)—		
Shearman, W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	4 0 0	
Re Rehm—		
Rehm, J. L.—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 14, Stingo Lane, as per Award	675 0 0	
		679 0 0

Southern Embankment.

Re Haddock—		
Hodgson, R. and C. H.—Taxed Costs of Investment, under Order of 30th July, 1869	42 11 4	
Re Doulton—		
Rose, J. A.—On Account of Solicitor's Costs	500 0 0	
		542 11 4

Mansion House Street.

Re Mrs. Chaplin—(Claim settled at £1,072)—	
Downing, W. A.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	6 6 0
	£1,227 17 4

2. Recommending that the following Cheques be drawn by the Board—

General Account.

(In respect of Shepherdess Walk Improvement.)

	£ s. d.
Re Guardians of St. Luke's—	
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Assignment	75 0 0

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

Re West London Extension Railway Company—	
Heggerty, W.—Taxed Costs of Arbitration (delivered at £644 10s. 8d.)	303 9 6
	£378 9 6

3. Submitting letter received from Mr. James Hayward, requesting to be allowed to withdraw his Tender for the construction of Sewerage works at Limehouse, accepted by the Board on Friday last; and recommending that the next lowest tender, namely, that of Mr. Thomas Pearson, amounting to £4,444, be accepted.

Recommending—

4. That the Salary of Captain Shaw, Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, be increased from £750 to £1,000 per annum, in the following manner, namely, by an immediate addition of £100, and a subsequent increase of £50 per annum until it shall reach the sum of £1,000; and that the resolution of the Board of the 20th October, 1865, (No. 6), be varied accordingly.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. Mr. Saunders, in the absence of Mr. Collinson, the Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 14th March, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them your Committee have drawn Cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress.

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Fagg—		
Shearman, W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	4 0 0	
Re Rehm—		
Rehm, J. L.—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 14, Stingo Lane, as per Award	675 0 0	
		679 0 0

Southern Embankment.

Re Haddock—		
Hodgson, R. and C. H.—Taxed Costs of Investment, under Order of 30th July, 1869	42 11 4	
Re Doulton—		
Rose, J. A.—On account of Solicitor's Costs	500 0 0	
		542 11 4

Mansion House Street.

Re Mrs. Chaplin—		
Downing, W. A.—Costs of Title and Conveyance		6 6 0
		£1,227 17 4

The following further list has been laid before your Committee, and, having ascertained that the amounts are correct, they beg to recommend that Cheques for the sums named be drawn on the proper Accounts.

General Account.

(In respect of Shepherdess Walk Improvement.)

	£ s. d.
Re Guardians of St. Luke's—	
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Assignment	75 0 0

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

Re West London Extension Railway Company—	
Heggerty W.—Taxed Costs of Arbitration (delivered at £644 10s. 8d.)	303 9 6
	£378 9 6

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. James Hayward, whose tender for the construction of sewerage works at Limehouse was accepted by the Board on Friday last. Mr. Hayward states that on looking over his estimate he finds he has omitted a sum of £500 which he allowed for pumping and shoring-up buildings, and he requests that the Board will permit him, under the circumstances, to withdraw his tender. Your Committee beg to submit Mr. Hayward's letter with this report, and, as they do not think it would be to the advantage of the Board to hold him to his tender, they recommend that he be permitted to withdraw, and that the next lowest tender, that of Mr. Thomas Pearson, amounting to £4,444 be accepted. Your Committee have given instructions that Mr. Hayward's withdrawal shall be recorded, in order that no future tender from him may be entertained by the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter, referred on the 25th ultimo (No. 74), from Captain Shaw, Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, requesting an increase of his salary. In dealing with this reference and coming to a decision upon the subject, your Committee have had regard to the strength of the Force transferred to the Board by the late London Fire Engine Establishment as compared with its present condition, and it may perhaps be convenient if your Committee place before the Board a short

summary of the facts. The number of men in the Fire Brigade at the time when the Board entered upon its administration was 130 and the number of Stations 17; since that date these numbers have been constantly on the increase, and at the present time there are 378 men and 53 Stations under the control of the Board. The number of engines in the same period has been increased from 38 to 114. It will thus be seen that the aggregate strength has been more than trebled, while, in addition, the duties connected with the preservation of life from fire and the maintenance and supervision of 102 fire escapes have materially increased the labours of the Brigade, and consequently of the Chief Officer. Your Committee would also draw attention to the danger constantly incurred by the Brigade as forming an element to be considered in fixing the scale of remuneration. On the manner in which Captain Shaw's duties have been discharged and on the ability and energy which he has invariably displayed, your Committee feel it unnecessary to enlarge. These are points to which the admitted efficiency of the force under his superintendence affords the best testimony, and after a careful consideration of the facts your Committee think that the Board should mark their sense of this efficiency and of the value of Captain Shaw's services by increasing his salary from £750 to £1000 a year. Your Committee are not prepared to recommend an immediate increase to this extent, but they think that the justice of the case will be met by the adoption of the following recommendation which they beg to submit, viz., that the salary of Captain Shaw, Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be increased from £750 to £1,000 per annum, in the following manner, namely, by an immediate addition of £100, and a subsequent increase of £50 per annum until it shall reach the sum of £1,000; and that the resolution of the Board of the 20th October, 1865, (No 6), be varied accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.
J. O. HALL,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
CYRUS LEGG.

The letter from Mr. Hayward, referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That Cheques for the following amounts be now drawn, viz.—

General Account.

(In respect of Shepherdess Walk Improvement.)	£	s.	d.
Re Guardians of St. Luke's—			
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Assignment	75	0	0
Main Drainage and Main Sewers.			
Re West London Extension Railway Company—			
Heggerty, W.—Taxed Costs of Arbitration (delivered at £644 10s. 8d.)	303	9	6
	£378	9	6

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from Mr. James Hayward, requesting to be allowed to withdraw his Tender for the construction of Sewerage works at Limehouse be adopted, and that the Tender of Mr. Thomas Pearson, for the execution of the said works for the sum of £4,444, be accepted.

It was moved by Mr. Saunders, and seconded by Mr. Hall—That the salary of Captain Shaw, Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, be increased from £750 to £1,000 per annum, in the following manner, namely, by an immediate addition of £100, and a subsequent increase of £50 per annum until it shall reach the sum of £1,000; and that the resolution of the Board of the 20th October, 1865, (No. 6), be varied accordingly.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the further consideration of the question be adjourned for one month.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.

Beven, T., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers.

Against the Amendment—21.

Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J.. Esq., Ald.
Hall, J. O., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Moreland, J., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Thompson, E. J., Esq.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Saunders.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—"That the question be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of considering the cost "and expenditure of the Fire Brigade, with a view to inquire into and re-model the whole "establishment."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.

Beven, T., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Shaw.

Against the Amendment—24.

The Chairman, Sir John Thwaites.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.
Hall, J. O., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Moreland, J., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Thompson, E. J., Esq.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Saunders.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Brooker, and seconded by Mr. Legg—"That the salary of Captain Shaw be increased from £750 to £1,000 per annum, inclusive "of travelling expenses."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and,

A division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—23.		Against the Motion—12.	
The Chairman, Sir John Thwaites.	Harris, C., Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	
Dodd, H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.		
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.		
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.		
Hall, J. O., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Saunders.		Teller—Mr. Legg.	

And there not being a majority, consisting of two-thirds of the Members present, voting in favour of the motion, the Chairman declared the same to be lost.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held pursuant to adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **18th** day of **March**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.		Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.

1. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Fire Brigade Committee.

Spring Gardens, 15th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that First-Class Fireman George Jones, and Fourth-Class Fireman Frederick Marsh, have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted.

Your Committee have also to report that First-Class Fireman Stephen Martin, has been reported to them as unfit for further duty, owing to failing health. He is now suffering from gout and bronchitis, and will probably never be able again to discharge the duties of a fire

man. He entered the service in February, 1840, and has, consequently, served a little over thirty years. His age is fifty-four. The Chief Officer reports that he has always borne an excellent character, and has been a good and trustworthy servant. The Board are empowered by the Fire Brigade Act to grant such pensions or allowances to men of the Brigade, in case of retirement, as the Board may think expedient. In the present instance, your Committee are of opinion that the best course will be to apply the provisions of the general Superannuation Act, under which the Board may grant to any officer who shall retire from their service, by reason of infirmity, after having served not less than ten years, a retiring allowance of one-sixtieth of his pay for each year of service. Martin having served upwards of thirty years would thus be entitled to one half of his present pay. He is now in receipt of 4s. 6d. a day, or 31s. 6d. a week, and one-half of this would be 15s. 9d. Your Committee accordingly recommend that Stephen Martin be permitted to retire from the service, and that a pension of 15s. 9d. a week be granted to him.

The retirement of First-Class Firemen Jones and Martin will leave two vacancies in the First-Class; to fill which your Committee recommend the promotion of Second-Class Firemen R. Mockett and C. A. Savage; they also recommend the promotion of Third-Class Firemen J. T. Kelly and W. Howard, to the Second-Class.

Your Committee have further to recommend that John Ireson, John Andrews, Augustus Warren, and John Synet, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen to fill vacancies.

Your Committee having ascertained that several vans were required for the conveyance of Fire Escapes to and from the Contractor's for repair, and also for the conveyance of men and materials to fires, invited tenders for the supply of four vans, and they have to report that they have accepted the tender of Messrs. E. H. Bayley and Co., to supply the same for the sum of £43 each.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
J. O. HALL,
JOHN SAVAGE,
E. J. THOMPSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignation of First-Class Fireman George Jones, and Fourth-Class Fireman Frederick Marsh, be accepted.

It was moved by Mr. Saunders, and seconded—That the services of First-Class Fireman Stephen Martin, whose state of health renders him unfit for further duty, be dispensed with, and that, in consideration of the length of his services extending over a period of 30 years, a pension of 15s. 9d. per week, being half of his present pay, be granted to him.

After discussion the motion was, by leave of the Board withdrawn, and it was resolved—That the matter be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the following promotions be made, consequent on the retirement of First-Class Firemen Stephen Martin and George Jones, viz.—

Second-Class Fireman			Richard Mockett	to the	First-Class	of	Firemen.
„	„	„	Charles A. Savage	„	„	„	„
Third	„	„	John T. Kelley	„	Second	„	„
„	„	„	William Howard	„	„	„	„

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That John Ireson, John Andrews, Augustus Warren, and John Synet, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the steps taken by the Committee with reference to the supply of vans be approved.

2. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Westerton—"That a Return be prepared shewing the names and ages of all the present District "Surveyors, viz., those appointed prior to 1856, and those appointed by this Board, with the "dates of their appointment and the amount of Fees received by them respectively."

3. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th March, 1870.

In accordance with the Order of the Board of the 25th February last, your Committee have considered the report by the Superintending Architect on a letter and Memorial from Mr. Edwin Applegate, and others, complaining of the contemplated erection of buildings on a plot of ground in continuation of Hercules-road and of the erection of a wall across that road, and requesting the Board to take steps for the removal of the wall, and the opening of a thoroughfare into Holloway-road, and for preventing the erection of the proposed buildings. Your Committee have had before them certain of the Memorialists and also Mr. H. A. Hunt and Mr. Wainwright, on behalf of the owner of the ground in question, and they find that the laying out of the plot of ground for a continuation of Hercules-road was contemplated by certain persons with whom the owners were in treaty for the sale of the same, but as the matter was not completed, the owners now wish to make the best disposition they can of the property. The wall referred to was built some time back at the end of Hercules-road to prevent persons without right making use of this plot of ground as a means of egress from that road to Holloway-road. Your Committee, having carefully considered all the statements made to them, are of opinion that the Board have no jurisdiction in the matter, and they beg to report accordingly.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board of the 24th September last (No. 120), your Committee have further considered the report by the Superintending Architect relative to the erection by Messrs. Manley and Rogers, of houses in Egbert-street and Railway Cottages, leading out of Saint George's-road, Saint Pancras, stating that, since the penal notice had been served on them as directed by the Board on the 9th July last (No. 69), their Solicitors have applied to be heard by the Board on the matter, and they have now to report that they have had before them Mr. Manley and his Solicitor, and the Solicitor and Surveyor of the Saint Pancras Vestry, and have received statements from each with respect to the places in question and also as to the formation of a raised footway in front of Egbert-terrace in the same locality. Subsequently to the first hearing of the case by your Committee, the applicant has been in communication with the Vestry of Saint Pancras and he has, in conformity with their wishes, consented so to modify his plans that your Committee think that, upon certain conditions, the Board may now sanction the plans submitted; and they, therefore, recommend that no further proceedings be taken in the matter, and that sanction be given to the plans for building, on condition that an opening, 16 feet wide, be made at the east end of Egbert-place; that a footway, 2 feet 6 inches in width, be formed next the dwarf wall in front of Egbert-terrace; that the roads and footways be properly completed throughout; and that Messrs. Manley and Rogers do enter into a bond to maintain the fence wall and railing in front of Egbert-terrace, in a substantial manner to the satisfaction of the Vestry of Saint Pancras.

Your Committee have have also to report that they have considered the report by the Superintending Architect relative to the construction of a party wall at Nos. 325 and 326, High-street, Wapping, and the correspondence with Mr. Titterton and the District Surveyor thereon, referred by the Board on the 11th March, 1870. Mr. Titterton, and Mr. Woodthorpe, the District Surveyor, have attended and given explanations to your Committee, but there does not appear to be any ground for the intervention of the Board in the matter, and your Committee, therefore, report accordingly.

In accordance with the reference by the Board on the 11th instant, your Committee have considered the application of Mr. G. B. Williams, on behalf of Messrs. Cockerell and Co., for the sanction of the Board to an amended plan for a proposed addition to their premises, No. 93, Buckingham-palace-road. Your Committee learn from Colonel Hogg, one of the repre-

sentatives of the Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, that the Vestry object to the proposed addition, and your Committee also think that the applicant has not shown sufficient reason for bringing out the building as proposed, and they, therefore, recommend that the application be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from Mr. Edwin Applegate, and others, complaining of the contemplated erection of buildings on a plot of ground at the end of Hercules Road, and of the wall between that road and the ground in question, be approved, and that the parties be informed accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the erection by Messrs. Manley and Rogers, of houses in Egbert-street and Railway-cottages, leading out of St. George's-road, St. Pancras, be approved; that no further proceedings be taken in the matter, and that the sanction of the Board be given to the Plans for building on condition that an opening 16 feet wide be made at the east end of Egbert-place; that a footway 2 feet 6 inches in width be formed next the dwarf wall in front of Egbert-terrace, that the roads and footways be properly completed throughout, and that Messrs. Manley and Rogers do enter into a bond, to be prepared by the Solicitor of the Board, to maintain the fence-wall and railing in front of Egbert-terrace in a substantial manner to the satisfaction of the Vestry of St. Pancras.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the construction of a party-wall at Nos. 325 and 326, High-street, Wapping, and to the correspondence with Mr. Titterton and the District Surveyor thereon, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. G. B. Williams, on behalf of Messrs. Cockerell and Co., for the sanction of the Board to an amended Plan for a proposed addition to their premises, No. 93, Buckingham Palace-road, be not granted.

4. Mr. Richardson, Deputy-Chairman of the Cattle Plague Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE CATTLE PLAGUE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 11th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority delegated to them by the Board on the 1st October last, (No. 11), they have proceeded to carry out the provisions of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, (32 and 33 Vic. Cap. 70), and the Orders in Council dated 10th August, 1869, relative to contagious and infectious diseases among cattle, and to the movement of cattle alive out of the Metropolis, and have caused to be prepared the various forms required to carry out the same. As immediate action is required to be taken in carrying out the Orders and Act, by the latter of which it is expressly provided that the Board shall always keep employed at least one Inspector, and, it being of importance that prompt measures should be taken to insure the separation and isolation of affected from healthy cattle to prevent the spread of disease, the Committee were of opinion that the most desirable course to adopt would be to re-appoint the Inspectors to the respective districts for which they had previously acted, and they accordingly arranged with them to make the necessary examination of affected cattle and those suspected to be diseased, and also of such animals as were required to be removed alive out of the Metropolis, at the same rate of remuneration as was previously paid to them.

In continuation of their Report presented to the Board on the 1st. October last, (No. 11), your Committee have further to state that, in addition to the notices given for the removal of 415 cows, &c., reported on to that date, notices for the removal of 95 animals have also been given, up to the 31st December last, making a total of 510 notices received since the Orders in Council for the removal of Cattle alive out of the Metropolis, came into operation. All the animals in question have been inspected and reported on by the Inspectors.

Your Committee have also to report that, under the powers conferred upon them, they have examined and passed the following accounts of the Inspectors for examining and reporting on the condition of affected cattle and those suspected to be diseased, and also those proposed to be removed; and they have directed the accounts in question to be submitted to the Finance Committee, with a view to payment, viz.—

Names of Inspectors.	Borough for which acting.	Period of Service.	Amount.
			£ s. d.
J. Woodger, Jun.	Westminster	28th August to 31st Dec., 1869	10 7 6
T. P. Dexter	Do.	24th August to do.	15 9 0
J. C. Broad	Marylebone	7th October to do.	8 1 6
W. Giltro	Do.	1st September to do.	13 19 6
G. Tegg	Tower Hamlets	10th August to do.	25 16 6
H. K. Shaw	Do.	14th October to do.	4 16 0
W. Farrow	Do.	26th August to do.	23 11 6
J. Oliphant	Greenwich	28th August to do.	25 2 3
F. R. Ingersoll	Do.	1st September to do.	43 6 0
H. Springett	Greenwich and Lambeth	23rd August to do.	33 12 6
J. I. Lupton	Lambeth	Do do.	46 14 0
Messrs. Ernes and Lowe ..	Southwark	16th October to do.	5 7 6
		£	256 3 9

Your Committee have further to report that, being of opinion that the district assigned to Mr. Farrow, which included the whole of that part of the Metropolis east of the City of London, was too large for effectual and prompt supervision, they separated therefrom the extreme eastern portion, comprising the parishes of Poplar, Bromley, Bow, and part of Limehouse, and appointed Mr. Shaw to take charge of the same.

On the 5th November last, (No. 3), the Board, at the request of the Council of the Smithfield Club, directed an application to be made to the Privy Council for a License to hold the Annual Cattle Show at the Agricultural Hall. The Privy Council passed an Order licensing the Show, and by one of the conditions of the license it was directed that the Order and License should be advertised in a daily newspaper; this was accordingly done, and your Committee, considering that, as the license was for the benefit of the Club, they should pay the cost of the advertisement, caused an application to be made to them for the amount, (£22 2s.), and they have to report that it has since been paid, and placed to the credit of the Board's Account.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the proceedings of the Committee be approved.

5. The Clerk laid before the Board a Statement of the contributions by Insurance Companies towards the expense of carrying into effect the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act, 1865, for the Quarter commencing the 1st day of April, 1870, as follows—

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY INSURANCE COMPANIES TOWARDS THE EXPENSES OF CARRYING INTO EFFECT THE METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE ACT, 1865, FOR THE QUARTER COMMENCING THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1870.

No.	Name of Insurance Company.	Quarter's Instalment, due 1st April, 1870. Amount.	Remarks.	Arrears.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1	Alliance	76 2 8		
2	Atlas	114 16 8		
3	Azienda Assicuratrice	8 15 0		
4	Birmingham Alliance	0 3 1	Paid	
5	Caledonian	2 1 4	Paid	
6	Church of England	12 9 7		
7	Commercial Union	79 2 4		
8	Concordia	0 4 9		0 4 9
9	County	174 13 11		
10	Emperor	1 9 3		
11	English	4 7 6		4 7 6
12	Etna and European and British Nation	—		105 0 0
13	Essex and Suffolk	0 0 11	Paid	
14	Financial	—		
15	General	67 1 3		
16	Guardian	93 1 1		
17	Hand-in-Hand	52 10 0		
18	Hercules	—		105 0 0
19	Home and Colonial	—		
20	Household	0 1 6	Paid	
21	Imperial	216 17 2		
22	Kent	17 13 11		
23	Lancashire	26 13 2		
24	Law	188 2 9		
25	Law Union	26 1 6		
26	Liverpool and London and Globe	245 6 8		
27	London	143 11 2		
28	London and Lancashire	20 0 1		
29	London and Manchester	0 1 5		0 1
30	London and Southwark	16 19 3		
31	Manchester	36 15 9		
32	Masonic and General	—		
33	Midland Counties	1 9 4	Paid	
34	National of Ireland	0 0 4	Paid	
35	Netherlands	—		
36	North British and Mercantile	230 19 2		
37	Northern	54 5 0		
38	Norwich Equitable	0 18 4	Paid	
39	Norwich Union	62 7 10		
40	Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire	0 3 2	Paid	
41	Oldham	—		
42	Patriotic	—		
43	Phœnix	380 9 10		
44	Preserver	0 12 7	Paid	
45	Primitive Methodists	0 2 1	Paid	
46	Provincial	7 10 0		
47	Queen	20 11 3		
48	Royal	157 1 7		
49	Royal Exchange	213 1 1		
50	Rotterdam and Netherlands	—		
51	Royal Farmers	7 2 2		
52	Salop	0 5 5	Paid	
53	Scottish	6 5 1		
54	Scottish Commercial	7 1 2		
55	Scottish Imperial	8 15 0		
56	Scottish National	0 0 9	Paid	
57	Scottish Provincial	8 15 0		
58	Scottish Union	18 6 10		
59	Shropshire and North Wales	0 1 6	Paid	
60	Stewarton, Dunlop, and Fenwick	—		
61	Sun	581 13 8		
62	Union	131 5 0		
63	Westminster	168 12 1		
64	West of England	30 17 8		
65	Yorkshire	0 5 7	Paid	
	Total £	3,724 2 2		214 13 8

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That application be made to such of the above mentioned Fire Insurance Companies, respectively, who have not already paid, for payment of their quarterly contribution towards the expenses of the Fire Brigade, due on the 1st April next.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th March, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the Vestry of Hampstead—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
Intended road, South Hill Park Estate, Hampstead	About 865 850	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ 3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	1 brick. ,,	The same as applied for
Intended new road from Lawn-road, through Bartram's Park to the high-road from Hampstead to London	369 413 171	3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″ 3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″ 12 inch.	1 brick. 1 ,, Pipe.	Recommended for approval as a substitute for the Plan sanctioned on 21st January, 1870, (No. 17).

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of Hampstead be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th March, 1870, on applications from the following Vestry and District Board, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of application.	Names of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
CLERKENWELL.					
1870. 11 March.	St. John-street, between Aylesbury-street and Passing-alley	Paving.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	Goswell-street.
WHITECHAPEL.					
16 ,,	Charles-street, Mile End New Town.	Repair of paving.	4 days.	4 days.	Albert-street, &c.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestry and District Board for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

8. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
17th March, 1870.

On letter from Mr. John Nicholson, Contractor, applying for permission to stop the carriage traffic in Trinity-street, Rotherhithe, for the execution of the Board's Sewerage Works.

Under the resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 52) authorising me to make the requisite arrangements for giving effect to this application, the Engineer to the Commercial Dock Company, Messrs. Rolt and Co., Mr. Russell, Messrs. Byass, Messrs. Burt and Co., and the other timber merchants, wharfingers, &c., likely to sustain temporary inconvenience from the closing of this narrow but most important line of street, have been communicated with, and as they are willing that the through traffic should be stopped for a time, on condition that their local traffic is provided for, and the inconvenience reduced as much as possible, I have sanctioned the closing of the street till further notice from the Board, or their Engineer, it being understood that the works are pushed on as much as possible; that every facility is to be afforded to the firms referred to, to get in and out of their premises, and that notice-boards are erected at the spots which have been pointed out to the Contractor indicating the route through which the traffic is temporarily diverted.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the steps taken by the Engineer be approved.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th March, 1870, on letters from Mr. E. B. Hartt on behalf of Mr. C. Thomas, calling attention to alleged settlements in the premises Nos. 189 and 190, Bermondsey-street, after the execution of the Board's sewerage works; stating that, since the receipt of the letters, the two houses referred to had been examined, and that he was of opinion from the result, that the alleged injuries were in no way due to the construction of the sewer in the front, and recommending that Mr. Hartt be so informed, and that the Board do decline to admit their liability.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to Mr. Hartt accordingly.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th March, 1870, recommending, in place of the intended earthen slope at the eastern end of the portion of the Thames Embankment, North, included in Contract (No. 3), the formation of an upright granite-faced parapet wall, as shewn on the Plan attached to his Report, and that the work be carried out by Mr. Webster as an extra upon, and at the schedule of prices attached to, the contract, and stating that he estimated the cost of the work at about £2,000.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Edward Wilson, on behalf of the Great Eastern Railway Company, submitting for approval a general design of a Bridge to carry their Railway over public roads and asking the permission of the Board to lower Downs-road and Downs Park-road, Hackney.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

12. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
17th March, 1870.

Crossness Pumping Station.—J. Sadler.

Owing to frequent late attendances at his work, resulting occasionally from his having been drunk over-night, John Sadler, employed as Millwright, was lately suspended by the Superintendent, pending my inquiring into the matter, and deciding whether, or not, it should be dealt with, as coming under the resolution of the Board of the 7th May last, authorising me to dismiss workmen in cases of gross misconduct, &c. Recently, however, a letter has been received from Sadler, declining the further inquiry, and requesting to be at once paid off. After a careful consideration of the case it appeared to me expedient to comply with the request; this has accordingly been done and I now ask the Board's sanction thereto. I recommend that Brady Lemm, who has been attending to the work since Sadler's suspension, be appointed to fill the vacancy.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the course taken by the Engineer be approved, and that Brady Lemm be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as Millwright at the Crossness Pumping Station, at the rate of pay of six shillings per day.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th March, 1870, stating that an explosion of gas took place in the Hackney Brook Sewer at its junction with the Wick Lane Sewer, by Hackney Wick, on the morning of the 15th instant, whilst the flushers were engaged in cleansing the sewer; that three men were injured, two of them only slightly, but that the third had to be taken to the London Hospital where he was now going on favourably; that all the usual precautions had been taken by opening the man-holes, side entrances, &c., before commencing the work, and that by his direction steps were now being taken to trace the source of the explosion.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to take such steps therein as may appear desirable.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th March, 1870, on a letter from the Engineer of the Metropolitan Railway Company, asking permission to temporarily stop up the

overflow into the Turnmill Street Sewer, in order to effect some repairs to the retaining vaults of the Farringdon-street Station-yard; recommending the Board to grant the application, on condition that the forming of the headwall and its removal upon the completion of the Company's works be done at their sole cost and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that permission be granted to the Metropolitan Railway Company to temporarily stop up the overflow into the Turnmill Street Sewer, Clerkenwell, on condition that the formation of the headwall and its removal upon the completion of the Company's works be done at the sole cost of the Company and to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board.

15. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Income Tax Assessment &c. Bill, as brought into the House of Lords and reported that it had been read a second time last night and referred to a Committee of the whole House for this day.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Street Tramways Bill now stood for second reading on the 29th of April next, and that the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways Bill was read a second time on Monday last and committed.

17. The Solicitor also reported that the Great Eastern Railway Company had agreed to strike out the clause of their Bill by which it was proposed to carry their Railway through Hackney Downs by an open cutting and that the Board's petition had, therefore, been withdrawn.

18. The Solicitor also reported that the promoters of the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill, had withdrawn that portion of their scheme which would have interfered with the Board's Sewer at Kilburn, and that the petition had, therefore, been withdrawn.

19. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the Report of the Inclosure Commission under the Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866.

20. The Solicitor presented a copy of the following Bills, viz., Municipal Boroughs (Metropolitan) Bill, Metropolitan Corporation of London Bill, and County of London Bill.

21. The Solicitor reported that the House of Commons had ordered that the Select Committee on the Tramways Bill should consist of the following nine members, viz., Mr. Shaw Lefevre, Colonel Wilson Patten, Mr. Ayrton, Mr. Sclater-Booth, Mr. Dent, Mr. Cawley, Mr. Hibbert, Lord George Hamilton, and Mr. Lock, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, five to be the quorum, and that Mr. Shaw Lefevre was yesterday elected Chairman of the Committee.

22. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill, now stood for second reading on the 11th April next.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

23. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill had been deferred till the 2nd May next.

24. The Solicitor also reported that the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1869, Amendment Bill had been brought in by Mr. Shaw Lefevre and Mr. Stansfeld, and read a first time, and that a Bill to facilitate, in certain cases, the obtaining of powers for the construction of Gas and Waterworks, and for the supply of Gas and Water, had been brought into the House of Commons by Mr. Shaw Lefevre and Mr. Stansfeld, and read a first time.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the last-mentioned Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

25. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Navigation Bill had been read a second time, and that the House of Commons had, on the motion of Mr. Ayrton, ordered that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of ten Members, five to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, and five by the House; that all petitions presented during the present Session against the Bill be referred to the Committee, that such of the petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or agents, be heard upon their petitions if they think fit, that Counsel be heard in favour of the Bill against the said petitions, and that the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

26. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had not given his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

27. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following documents for sealing, viz.—

Appointment of Surveyors and their valuation and declaration under the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, in the matter of the claim of Mr. W. H. Hughes, in respect of property in High-street, Kensington.

Three Deeds of Conveyance by the Board to Mr. E. Robinson, of property in Southwark-street.

Deed of Conveyance by the Board to Mr. H. F. Clare, of property in Southwark-street.

Deed of Conveyance by the Board to Mr. F. Wilkin, of property in Southwark-street.

Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. S. Wyand, for building over a portion of the Middle Level Sewer at Carlton-road, Notting-hill.

Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. Thomas Hussey, for a Lease of Building Land in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

Application, in duplicate, to the Board of Trade, under the Metropolitan District Railway Act, 1869, to expedite the construction of the Metropolitan District Railway.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said several documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 18th March, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are nine applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing of eight of the applicants being found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

The premises of Mr. J. Revell, 166, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone (No. 6 on the Agenda), not being fit, I recommend a refusal.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the application of Mr. J. Revell, of No. 166, Oxford-street, St. Marylebone (14,879), for a license, be refused.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of three calendar months and thirteen days from the 18th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
BETHNAL GREEN	Baldwin, Fred. Geo.	14,898	204, Hackney Road	1	Shop btls.
MILE END OLD TOWN	Holland, E. W.	14,877	3, White Horse Lane, Stepney	5	Yard P. d.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE	Davies, Jno.	14,878	20, Moreton Street West, Pimlico	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Dinneford and Co.	14,899	172, New Bond Street	2	,, ,,
ST. LUKE, MIDDLESEX	Lassham, Walter	13,140	85, Central Street	5	Whse. P.d.
ST. PANCRAS	Parritt, Hy. Joseph	14,888	78, Great College Street, Camden Town	5	Yard ,,
WANDSWORTH	Rouse, Fred. Joseph	14,900	114, High Street, Clapham	2 qts.	Shop btls.
WOOLWICH	Mendez, Joseph	14,901	137, High Street	30	Shed P. d.

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd February, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of the house No. 1, Stafford-place, Wyndham-road, as shown upon the plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage in Wyndham-road be kept back seven feet three inches from the kerb, and the corner of the proposed shop in Nelson-street four feet six inches from the kerb; that the vacant ground between the proposed frontage line and the existing footways be given up and added to the public footways previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the shop do not exceed fifteen feet; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

31. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Wagstaff, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 46, Cheyne-walk, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed fifteen feet, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

32. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Stickland, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a two-storey building on the forecourt of the house situate at the corner of Anton-street, Amhurst-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

33. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Buck, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of his dwelling-house, situate on the north side of Chapel-place, Lower Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

34. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Gibbs, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey pent-house, of iron, with a zinc roof, in front of his house in Hamilton-road, Lower Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed pent house be kept to the same line as the bay windows of the houses adjoining, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alfred Ridge, for the consent of the Board

to the erection of shops in front of the houses Nos. 22 and 23, London-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

36. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. R. Furniss, on behalf of Mr. Bush, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 185, Kentish Town-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the proposed shop and the back line of the existing pavement be given up and added to the footway within three months from the present time and be paved by the Vestry; that the height of the shop do not exceed that of the adjacent shops already brought out, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Hall, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to a building in Ramsden-road, Nightingale-lane, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the soffits of the eaves be covered with Portland cement one inch in thickness.

38. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edwin Crockett, for the consent of the Board to the construction of inclosures of iron and glass to the premises No. 12, Mark-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

39. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Allen, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a shed at Norrington's Wharf, Poole-lane, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that iron columns be substituted for the proposed wooden supports of the shed.

40. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of the Rev. E. Wynne, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 26th February, 1869, (No. 61), for the use of a temporary iron church in New Cross-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building in question be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

41. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Kent, on behalf of Mr. P. Dunbar, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron room in the rear of the house of No. 136, Camden-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that an iron plate be substituted for the proposed wooden plate, and that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

42. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on a communication from the District Board, with respect to the flagging of Collins-street, Garden-row, and Clyde-terrace, stating that they had taken proceedings before a Magistrate in consequence of the non-completion of the paving of Collins-street, and that he had decided that such proceedings should be instituted by this Board; stating the course usually adopted by the Board in similar cases, and recommending that the matter be referred to the Solicitor.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the matter be referred to the Solicitor, and that he do report thereon to the Board on Friday next.

43. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace Gundry, for the sanction of the Board to a deviation from the Plan for the formation of a road to be called "Maythorn-cottages," approved by the Board on the 27th November, 1868, (No. 39), as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted.

44. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John R. Clayton, for the re-naming of Victoria-road, Finchley-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

45. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Turner, Surveyor of the District of East Islington, for the appointment by the Board of a Special Fee for certifying the removal of a chimney breast in the party-wall dividing the houses Nos. 1 and 2, Pear-tree-terrace, Holloway-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt—That the District Surveyor be authorised to demand and receive a fee of 10s. in respect of the service referred to.

46. Metropolis.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th March, 1870, suggesting that in addition to the Fees allowed to a District Surveyor for inspecting a dangerous structure and attending the Police Court to give evidence, a further Fee of 5s. should be allowed to him for each inspection made subsequently to the service of the Notice, in order to ascertain whether the necessary works for securing the premises, are in progress or completed.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

47. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. William Berriman and Son, on behalf of the Trustees of the Drummond-road Chapel, for a re-consideration by the Board of their Order of the 11th February last (No. 43), directing, with respect to the erection of a building for a Sunday-school in Banyard-road, that the frontage line of the proposed building should be kept back to the line of the private houses and warehouse adjoining, and requesting, in consequence of the limited extent of the site and the purpose to which the building was to be applied, that the Board would sanction the erection as proposed in their former application.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect dated 18th March, 1870, stating that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Bermondsey by setting back the new warehouse on the sites of Nos. 20 and 21, Bermondsey-wall, towards which the Board, on the 15th October, 1869, (No. 9), agreed to contribute the sum of £100, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive the contribution.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the certificate be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to payment of the amount.

49. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. A. Waterer, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at a warehouse situate in Black Horse-yard, Middlesex-street, Aldgate.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

50. Poplar—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. Dabbs, on behalf of Mr. C. Kingsford, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at a factory at Hackney Wick.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

51. Read a Letter from Mr. Thomas W. Marchant, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Paul, Deptford, dated 12th March, 1870, stating that the Kent County Rate Basis Committee had reduced the assessment for that part of the Parish, which is situate in the County of Kent, from £154,450 to £132,000, and requesting the Board to make a proportionate reduction in the amount payable by the Parish under their Precept recently issued to the Greenwich District Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That Mr. Marchant be informed that the Board have no power to comply with the request.

52. Read a letter as follows—

Treasury Chambers, 11th March, 1870.

Gentlemen,—I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you that they have desired the Bank of England to receive from the London City Chamberlain the sum of fifty-four thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven pounds five shillings and sixpence, being the net proceeds of the coal duties (8d. and 1d. per ton) and the duty on wine from the 1st October to 31st December last.

Of this sum their Lordships have desired the Bank to transfer thirty-six thousand one hundred pounds to the account of the chief cashier, in further part payment of the principal of Loans to your Board, and the balance, viz., eighteen thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven pounds five shillings and sixpence to the credit of your account.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) WILLIAM LAW.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee and to the Accountant.

53. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

Guildhall Library, E.C., 11th March, 1870.

Sir,—I am directed by the Chairman of the Library Committee to forward a copy of the description of the Roman Pavement found in Bucklersbury last year for the Members of the Metropolitan Board, you will find the names of the member inside the cover on a label. The Members of the Corporation on your Board have already had a copy, H. L. Taylor, Esq., Deputy, Robert Taylor, Esq., Edward D. Rogers, Esq., James E. Saunders, Esq., F.G.S., F.L.S., and Mr. Alderman John S. Gibbons. These you will allow for in the number. We have also sent one for yourself and nine copies for the superior Officers of the Board if you will kindly fill in their names, and order them to be forwarded.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. H. OVERALL.

J. Pollard, Esq.

The Clerk reported that the copies of the work had been distributed to the Members of the Board and the Chief Officers.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the thanks of the Board be communicated to the Library Committee of the Corporation of the City of London, for the copies of the work in question.

54. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. F. A. Paget, dated 12th March, 1870, with a copy of a Report prepared by him on steam-road rolling, and requesting that it might be accepted by the Board as a Report to them.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the Clerk do inform Mr. Paget that the Board have much pleasure in complying with his request, assuming that it is not his intention to make any charge for his Report, and that, if he sees no objection to that course, the Board propose to print and circulate the Report for the use of the Members of the Board, and the several Vestries and District Boards, and that the Board will be happy to furnish him with some copies for his own use.

55. Read a letter as follows—

Mincing Lane, E.C., London, 17th March, 1870.

Sir,—We are desired by our client Mr. Graves of No. 55, Lower Tulse-hill to enclose a Report of Dr. Fewtrell giving the result of his experiments as to the illuminating power of gas supplied by

the South Metropolitan Gaslight and Coke Company which Report shows that the Company has no conformed to the provisions of the South Metropolitan Gaslight and Coke Company's Act, 1869, and has incurred penalties specified in the 55th section of that Act. Mr. Graves is acting in the matter in concert with many other inhabitants of the district and we are desired to request that the Board of Works will at once take the necessary steps to enforce the penalties, in the hope that by so doing the inhabitants of the district will be relieved from the serious inconvenience they now suffer by reason of the inferiority of the gas supplied by the above Company.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) THOMAS & HOLLAMS.

The Secretary of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(*Copy.*)

Report on examination of the illuminating power of the Gas supplied to G. C. Graves, Esq., 55, Lower Tulse-hill.

The experiments were made between the hours of 9 and 10 p.m., on the evening of Tuesday, March 8th, 1870.

The results calculated to the standard consumption of five feet of Gas, and 120 grains of Sperm per horn, were as follows—

1st	experiment	illuminating power	12.30 candles.
2nd	,,	,,	12.27 ,,
3rd	,,	,,	12.00 ,,

The average of these three experiments gives the illuminating power of the gas as 12.19 candles. This is nearly 2 candles below the power required by the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, 1869, which came into operation on 30th of last September.

The Gas was perfectly free from sulphuretted hydrogen and practically free from ammonia.

(Signed) W. T. FEWTRELL, F.C.S.

41, Gower-place, W.C., March 11th, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk laid before the Board a notice by Mr. John Nicholson, dated 3rd June, 1868, of assignment to Messrs. Doulton of his interest under his contract with the Board for the execution of their General Works in the Southern Division of the Metropolis, and a further notice from Mr. Nicholson, dated 11th March, 1869, of assignment to Messrs. Doulton of his interest under his contract with the Board for the execution of Sewerage works in Plough-road, &c., Rotherhithe.

Resolved—That the said notices be referred to the Finance Committee and to the Accountant.

57. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 17th March, 1870, requesting the Board to set back the wall over the Ranelagh Sewer at Grosvenor Bridge, as shown by the red line on the Plan accompanying his letter, and stating that the Vestry considered that the site would be very suitable for a Fire Engine Station.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

58. The Clerk laid before the Board a printed copy of the Report of the Water Supply Commission, together with the Appendix and Plans, and requested the instructions of the Board as to procuring copies thereof for the use of the Members of the Board.

Resolved—That a sufficient number of copies of the said Appendix and Plans, be obtained, and that a copy be supplied to each Member of the Board.

59. The Clerk presented a letter from the Metropolitan District Railway Company, as follows—

Metropolitan District Railway Company, 6, Westminster Chambers,

Victoria Street, S.W., 14th March, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, informing me that the Metropolitan Board are not prepared at present to give their consent to the construction of the Station between Bread-street and Fish-street-hill, which I will lay before my Board.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter referring to the Blackfriars Station of the Company, now in course of construction, you are under a misconception in supposing that this Station comes within the provisions of the 61st Section of the Metropolitan District Railway Act, 1864. That section requires the consent of the Metropolitan Board to the construction of any station under, or on, the site of the Embankment or Street, but the Blackfriars Station is not to be formed either under, or on, the site of the Embankment or Street.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GEO. HOPWOOD, Secretary.

John Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.'

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 25th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No 12

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **25th** day of **March**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Joseph Moreland, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 18th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. A Deputation from the inhabitants of Bermondsey and Rotherhithe, introduced by Mr. Collinson, on behalf of Mr. Legg, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Samuel B. Bevington, Chairman; Rev. R. M. Martin, M.A., Rev. S. Farrar, Rev. J. Sinclair, Messrs. Thomas Sutton, Huntley, Horton, A. D. Steel, Brown, Harris, A. Smith, T. Manning, Tracey, Chiner, B. Barrow, Brown and Brooks, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Ratepayers and Inhabitants of Bermondsey in Public Meeting Assembled, humbly sheweth—

That your Memorialists having learnt with deep regret that it is the intention of your Honourable Board to let, on Building leases, sixteen acres of the new Southwark Park, notwithstanding the recommendation of the Sub-Committee on Open Spaces to the contrary, do hereby earnestly and respectfully pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to re-consider the above-mentioned intention, in accordance with the desires of the Ratepayers and Inhabitants of Bermondsey, as expressed in the following resolution, passed at a Public Meeting, held at the Star Corner School-room, Bermondsey, on Wednesday, the 16th March.

"That, considering the great importance of Open Spaces to the health and improvement of the "people of large cities, and considering the limited extent of Southwark Park, it is the opinion of "this Meeting, that it is most undesirable to appropriate *any* portion of the Park to building "purposes."

Proposed by John Dixon, Esq., M.D., seconded by James Wallace, Esq., and supported by John Locke, Esq., M.P., and Lieut.-Col. Marcus Beresford, M.P., members for the borough of Southwark, and carried unanimously.

We, therefore, pray that your Honourable Board will be pleased to give your earnest consideration to the opinion expressed in the foregoing resolution, and that you will preserve the whole of the sixty-three acres now comprised within the park railings free and open for the recreation of the public.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

March 25th, 1870. (Signed) SAMUEL B. BEVINGTON, Chairman.

Mr. Bevington having been heard in support of the Memorial, and having requested that the Rev. R. M. Martin, another member of the Deputation, might be allowed to address the Board on the subject,

The Bye-law of the Board allowing one member only of a deputation to address the Board on the presentation of a memorial was read, whereupon

It was **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the Bye-law in question be suspended, and that the Rev. Mr. Martin be heard.

The Rev. Mr. Martin thereupon addressed the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

The **motion** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—17.		Against the Motion—13.	
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.	Adams, B. H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.,
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Deputy.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	
Gibbons, S. J. Esq., Ald.	Turner, T., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Legg.		Teller—Mr. Richardson.	

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

3. Read a Report as follows—

25th March, 1870.

SOUTHWARK STREET SALES.

I present the following Conveyances, which it is necessary should be sealed by the Board to enable me to complete the sales to the several purchasers.

LOTS.	
1 and 10	The Board to Christopher Hill.
5	,, ,, Nathaniel C. Tueley.
12	,, ,, James Henry Lermitte.
13	,, ,, ,, ,,
14	,, ,, ,, ,,
23	,, ,, ,, ,,
15	,, ,, Walter Griffith.
16	,, ,, ,, ,,
17	,, ,, ,, ,,
20	,, ,, ,, ,,
24	,, ,, John Charles Tompkins.
25	,, ,, ,, ,,
26	,, ,, Christopher Hill.
27	,, ,, William Rudd Mace.
29	,, ,, Rev. E. G. Moon, and others.
30	,, ,, Thomas Sidney.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the several Deeds of Conveyance mentioned in the foregoing Report respectively ; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

4. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary to draw a cheque for £289 13s. for the redemption of Land Tax on properties taken for the purposes of the Kensington Improvement.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That a cheque for the said sum be now drawn ; and a cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

5. Mr. Legg handed in a letter, which was read as follows—

Metropolis Local Management Act, 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 120.

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.

Vestry Offices, Maltby Street, S.E., 22nd March, 1870.

GENTLEMEN—

I am directed by the Vestry to request your permission to their borrowing the sum of £8,000 upon mortgage of the Rates, and to repay the same (principal and interest) by 20 Annual Instalments.

The money is required for the purpose of paving, with granite, the undermentioned streets, instead of repairing the same with Macadam as heretofore, viz., New Weston-street, Market-street, the Grange-road, from Star-corner to Crimscot-street, Willow-walk, from Page's-walk to the Goods Station Entrance of the Brighton Railway, and the Bermondsey New-road; and also for the purpose of providing paved channels in a large number of streets now unpaved.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. I. RICHES, Assistant Clerk.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

6. Mr. Legg stated that the Vestry of Bermondsey had drawn a cheque for £2,925 0s. 0d., being the Main Drainage portion of the Board's Precept for the current year, and **moved**—That the cheque be accepted by the Board on account of the said Precept; the sum of £2,364 15s. 1d., part thereof, being applied in payment of the first moiety of such Precept, due on the 26th instant, and the balance thereof, amounting to £560 4s. 11d. being carried to the credit of the second moiety due on the 24th of June next.

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Dalton, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Mr. Legg thereupon handed the Cheque in question to the Cashier.

7. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 22nd March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 19th March, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
General	..	219,566 12 5	5,737 8 6	..	213,829 3 11
Fire Brigade	..	26,904 4 5	3,334 12 6	..	23,569 11 11
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,826 3 10	..	..	1,826 3 10
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,770 17 2	..	..	1,770 17 2
Victoria Park Approach	4,170 2 7	..	..	4,170 2 7	..
Finsbury Park	..	665 9 10	..	..	665 9 10
Southwark Park	..	1,044 6 6	..	..	1,044 6 6
Whitechapel Improvement	..	4,988 7 3	526 3 4	..	4,462 3 11
Holborn Improvement	..	345 11 6	..	..	345 11 6
Kensington Improvement	..	6,259 4 0	126 0 0	..	6,133 4 0
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	51,630 4 3	7,929 7 5	..	43,700 16 10
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	..	24,409 19 5	303 9 6	..	24,106 9 11
Park Lane Improvement	..	3,213 17 10	..	..	3,213 17 10
Chelsea Embankment	..	4,151 2 4	..	..	4,151 2 4
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,756 10 1	..	..	1,756 10 1
Consolidated Loans Fund (For Investment see below.)	75,486 4 3	..	..	75,486 4 3	..
£	79,656 6 10	348,532 10 10	17,957 1 3	79,656 6 10	330,575 9 7
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	79,656 6 10	..	..	79,656 6 10
		268,876 4 0			250,919 2 9
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,936 13 6	516 7 6	..	1,420 6 0
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT:					
Thames Embankment, North	..	33,646 19 3	6,450 0 0	..	27,196 19 3
Southern Embankment	..	166,572 12 2	5,893 12 4	..	160,678 19 10
Mansion House Street	..	33,432 11 0	346 15 10	..	33,085 15 2
Metropolis Main Drainage	..	150 0 0	150 0 0	..	..
		233,802 2 5	12,840 8 2		220,961 14 3
Totals £	..	504,614 19 11	31,313 16 11	..	473,301 3 0

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,259 16s. 11d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	2,066 12s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from 7th to 19th March, 1870—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.		
Assessments under Precepts—		
Borough Market	£2 3 0	
St. Pancras	11,394 7 3	
Charter House	20 1 0	
	11,416 11 3	
Rates	598 0 0	
Expenses *re* Metropolitan Asylum Loan	27 10 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	68 19 8	
Do. *re* Building Act	3 5 0	
Do. ,, Dangerous Structures	1 10 6	
Costs, *re* ,,	0 4 0	
Plans, &c., sold	19 10 0	
Kew and other Bridges Committee—Amount refunded	143 0 0	
Drain Junctions	3 18 1	
Deposit, *re* Lyon	8 0 0	
		12,290 8 6
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Contributions from Insurance Offices	67 8 11	
Chimney-fire Fines	55 2 0	
Subscriptions for Fire Reports	5 0 0	
Rates recovered	7 14 2	
		135 5 1
SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION.		
Balance of Account, *re* Messrs. Smith and Son		207 13 9
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT.		
Costs of Leases		15 0 0
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.		
Rates		221 0 0
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Rents	237 7 1	
Balance of Coal and Wine Duties	18,757 5 6	
		18,994 12 7
		£31,863 19 11

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various Principal Officers for the payment to Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £34,747 7s. 7d., be paid.

With a view to the adjustment of the Accounts of the Board, your Committee find that it becomes necessary to transfer the sum of £3,980 4s. 5d. from the Bank of England Account to the General Account at the London and Westminster Bank, in respect of payments made for the Thames Embankment and Mansion House Street, and they recommend—

That a cheque for £3,980 4s. 5d. be drawn on the Bank of England Account, payable to the General Account at the London and Westminster Bank, in re-payment of sums advanced for Embankment and Mansion House Street purposes.

In order to meet the requirements of the Park Lane Improvement Account, your Committee have ascertained that a further transfer from the Loan Account to that of the above mentioned Improvement, to the extent of £10,000, will be required before the close of the Board's financial year; they therefore recommend—

That the sum of £10,000 be transferred from money raised by the loan of £2,500,000, to the Park Lane Improvement Account.

Your Committee have to call attention to the fact that the half year's interest on the Bonds issued by the Board in March, 1869, for the loan of £149,900, will become due on the 25th

in stant, and that, in accordance with the arrangements made with the mortgagees, the interest on their respective amounts is to be paid at the London and Westminster Bank. Your Committee think that instructions should be given to the Bank accordingly, and they recommend—

That directions be given to the London and Westminster Bank to pay the coupons due on the 25th instant on the loan of £149,900.

Your Committee have further to report that, in accordance with the arrangement made with the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, a further sum of £78,000 will become due to them on the 6th proximo, being the amount of the third instalment of the loan of £460,000, raised by this Board on their behalf. They have also ascertained that the sum of £2,559 3s. 6d., for interest on the amounts already advanced to the Managers, will become due from them on the 1st April next; and they recommend—

That a cheque for £78,000 be drawn in favour of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, being the third instalment of the loan of £460,000, and that application be made to the Managers for the interest due from them on the 1st April next.

Your Committee further report that, with a view to paying the dividends on the Board's Metropolitan Consolidated Stock which will fall due on the 6th April next, it will be necessary for the Board to draw a cheque for the requisite amount, and they recommend—

That a cheque for £23,088 7s. 9d. be drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund, in favour of the Bank of England, for payment of the first quarter's interest, due on the 6th April next, on the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the subject of the disposal of the sum of £40,000 raised by the Board, on behalf of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District. They have received a report from the Accountant to the effect that it might be desirable to obtain the sanction of the Treasury to the appropriation of the sum in question to the purposes of the Board, which would enable them to apply £6,000 for further cost of repayment of the Southwark and Westminster Communication Loan, and the remainder to other expenditure on the Board's capital account. Your Committee, being of opinion that the suggested arrangement would be advantageous, beg to submit the report for the information of the Board, and they recommend—

That the report of the Accountant be approved and acted upon.

Your Committee have had under their consideration the question of writing off the deficiency in the accounts of the late Accountant, and they have arrived at the opinion that the best course to adopt will be to apportion the total amount, viz., £1,500 9s. 9d., upon the several Accounts of the Board, on a basis similar to that on which the Establishment Charge were paid for the half-year ending Christmas, 1868; charging the Southwark and Westminster Communication and the Victoria Park Approach Accounts, but omitting the Park Lane, Stingo Lane, and Chelsea Embankment Accounts. The Accountant has, under the instructions of your Committee, prepared a statement showing the proposed apportionment, and he reports that a cheque for £221 18s. 4d. in favour of the Cash Account at the Bank of England will become necessary to complete the matter; your Committee beg to submit the statement for the information of the Board, and they recommend—

That the statement of the proposed apportionment of the deficiency in the accounts of the late Accountant, to the several Accounts of the Board, now submitted, be approved, and that a cheque for £221 18s. 4d. be drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account at the London and Westminster Bank, in favour of the Cash Account at the Bank of England.

Your Committee have further to report that their attention has been again called to the necessity of authorising the London and Westminster Bank, by Power of Attorney, to receive the dividends on the Board's Three per Cent. Consolidated Stock, purchased in respect of the Fire Brigade Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund. This matter was before the Board on the 19th November last, and was referred back to your Committee with their recommendation with regard to the sale of New Three per Cent. Stock applicable to the Southwark and Westminster Communication. These two matters, however, had no connexion with each other; and, as the latter has been disposed of, your Committee recommend—

That the London and Westminster Bank be requested to obtain a Power of Attorney authorising them to receive the dividends on the Board's Three per Cent. Consols.

In accordance with the reference by the Board on the 11th instant, your Committee have considered the certificate of the Superintending Architect, that the improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington by setting back the premises Nos. 58, 60, 62, and 64, High-street, Notting Hill, towards the cost of which the Board, on the 8th May, 1868 (No. 5), agreed to contribute the sum of £795, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive that amount, and they recommend—

That a cheque for £795 be drawn in favour of the Kensington Vestry, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board on the 8th May, 1868, (No, 5), towards the cost of an improvement effected by the Vestry in setting back the premises, Nos. 58, 60, 62, and 64, High-street, Notting-hill.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the certificate of the Superintending Architect that the improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Bermondsey, by setting back the new warehouse on the sites of Nos. 20 and 21, Bermondsey Wall, towards which the Board, on the 15th October, 1869, (No. 9), agreed to contribute the sum of £100, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry were now entitled to receive the contribution, referred to them by the Board on the 18th instant (No. 48), and they beg to recommend—

That a cheque for £100 be drawn in favour of the Bermondsey Vestry, being the amount agree to be contributed by the Board on the 15th October, 1869, (No. 9), towards an improvement effected by the Vestry in setting back the new warehouse on the sites of Nos. 20 and 21, Bermondsey Wall.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
COULSON, STOKES, AND CO.—			
(3841) Iron and other Materials supplied at Pumping Stations, October to December, 1869—			
Abbey Mills	£29 2 0		
Cremorne	1 7 0		
Crossness	90 18 10		
Deptford	20 10 3		
		141 18 1	
HULBURD, T.—			
(3842) Riley's Boiler Composition for Crossness Pumping Station, March, 1870		37 7 2	
CASTLE, A. D.—			
(3843) Bleaching Powder for Crossness Pumping Station, March, 1870	£16 19 6		
Extra Cartage of Powder to Pumping Stations, &c., July, 1868, to June, 1869—			
Old Ford Penstock Chamber £1 2 6			
Crossness Pumping Station .. 0 4 10			
Abbey Mills ,, .. 0 16 6			
	2 3 10		
		19 3 4	
CLARK, A—			
(3844) Fresh Water for Crossness Pumping Station, 3rd to 23rd February, 1870		16 4 0	
WILLIAMSON, P. A.—			
(3845) Water-boots for Flushing Inspectors, Flap-keepers, &c. ,March, 1870		6 2 2	
GARDINER, T.—			
(3846) Plumbers' work done at Office, Spring Gardens, January and February, 1870		10 13 0	
Carried forward		£231 7 9	..

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	231 7 9	..
McDougall, J., Surveyor—			
(3847)	Travelling Expenses, for self and men, February, 1870	2 18 10	
Cory, W., and Son—			
(3848)	Bills for Coals, January to March, 1870—		
	Office, Spring Gardens £26 6 3		
	Gas-meter Testing-houses—		
	Westminster £7 8 5		
	Southwark 4 11 5		
	Spitalfields 1 16 6		
	13 16 4	40 2 7	
Expenses under Cattle Diseases Prevention Act—			
	Inspectors' Allowances, August to December, 1869—		
(3849)	Woodger, J., Jun. £10 7 6		
(3850)	Dexter, T. P. 15 9 0		
(3851)	Broad, J. C. 8 1 6		
(3852)	Giltro, W. 13 19 6		
(3853)	Tegg, G. 25 16 6		
(3854)	Shaw, H. K. 4 16 0		
(3855)	Farrow, W. 23 11 6		
(3856)	Oliphant, J. 25 2 3		
(3857)	Ingersoll, F. R. 43 6 0		
(3858)	Springett, H. 33 12 6		
(3859)	Lupton, J. I. 46 14 0		
(3860)	Ernes and Lowe 5 7 6	256 3 9	
MacKenzie, A.—			
(3861)	Salary, from 15th October, 1869, to Lady-day, 1870	44 14 6	
Bank of England—			
(3862)	Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Loan of £50,000, due 27th March, 1870 .. .. £1,101 11 3		
(3863)	Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £144,000, due 1st April, 1870 .. .. .. 2,855 5 0		
(3864)	Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £100,000, due 6th April, 1870 .. .. .. 1,982 16 3	5,939 12 6	
Dyson & Co.—			
(3865)	Balance of Bill for Parliamentary Expenses, Session, 1869 ..	732 14 6	
Webster, W., Contractor—			
(3866)	On account of Repairs to Machinery, &c., at Abbey Mills Pumping Station	3,500 0 0	
			10,747 14 5
	FIRE BRIGADE.		
Langmead & Way, Contractors—			
(2410)	Further on account of Station, Adelaide-road, St. John's Wood, Contract No. 169	530 0 0	
Board of Works for the Wandsworth District—			
(2411)	Rent, &c., for Station, High Street, Wandsworth, to Michaelmas, 1869	28 3 0	
Ewin, E., & Co.—			
(2412)	Furniture for Farringdon Street Station, February, 1870	2 3 0	
			560 6 0
	WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.		
Marshall & Maxwell, Contractors—			
(609)	Further on account of new street in extension of the Commercial Road, from Back Church Lane to High Street, Whitechapel, Contract No. 153		3,354 0 0
	Carried forward ..		£14,662 0 5

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	..	14,662 0 5

MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.

WEBSTER, W., Contractor—
(23) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Tower Hill to New Earl Street—Contract No. 151 .. .. .. 10,025 0 0

DICKINSON & OLIVER, Contractors—
(24) First Instalment on account of Deepening and Improving Sewers at Kennington and Lambeth—Contract No. 160 .. .. .. 1,860 0 0

11,885 0 0

PARK LANE IMPROVEMENT.

DYSON AND CO.—
(5) Balance of Bill for Parliamentary Expenses, Session 1869 .. .. .. 350 8 9

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

BANK OF ENGLAND—
(2) Fourth Instalment in repayment of Loan of £100,000, due 6th April, 1870 .. 3,333 6 8

MANSION HOUSE STREET.

RATES AND TAXES FOR PROPERTIES TAKEN—
(41) Davidge, J., Collector £232 10 4
(42) Little, J. M. ,, ... 217 8 7
(43) Oliver, A. ,, ... 30 8 8
(44) Miller, R. ,, ... 23 1 11

503 9 6

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.

INCOME TAX COMMISSIONERS—
(5) Income Tax deducted from Interest on Loans, Compensations, &c., to 20th March, 1870—

General Account	£1,436 8 7	
Finsbury Park	1 0 4	
Southwark Park	1 4 1	
Fire Brigade	38 18 7	
Whitechapel Improvement	51 12 1	
Kensington ,, ...	20 9 11	
Stingo Lane ,, ...	2 15 8	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers ..	29 11 4	
		1,582 0 7

THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT

INCOME TAX COMMISSIONERS—
(7) Income Tax, as above—

Southern Embankment	£213 12 2	
Mansion House Street	158 8 7	
		372 0 9
		1,954 1 4

TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT -

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—
(6) *General*—

Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870 ..	£539 10 7	
Petty Cash Payments—8th to 21st March, 1870 ..	71 6 1	
		610 16 8

Fire Brigade—

Weekly Wages (Draughtsman)—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870	5 0 0	
Ditto (Firemen)—Two Weeks to 19th March, 1870 ..	1,031 0 0	
Foremen's Expenses—February, 1870—		
Expenses at Fires £168 10 0		
Incidentals 64 9 11		
	232 19 11	
Incidental Expenses, Chief Station, February, 1870 ..	11 10 9	
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations ..	5 16 9	
Rates and Taxes, for sundry Stations	38 4 4	

Carried forward	£1,324 11 9	610 16 8	32,688 6 5

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	£1,324 11 9	610 16 8	32,688 6 8
Fire Brigade (continued)				
	Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 19th March, 1870	3 2 0		
	Superannuation Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service	11 0 6		
			1,338 14 3	
	Whitechapel Improvement—			
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870 ..	£6 6 0		
	Copy and Service of Notice, *re* Bryant	1 1 0		
			7 7 0	
	Main Drainage and Main Sewers—			
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870		54 19 0	
	Chelsea Embankment—			
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870		2 4 0	
				2,014 0 11
	THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
	WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(24)	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 16th March, 1870		33 12 0	
	Secondary's Charges—*re* Sir Robert Peel		7 18 0	
	Poor Rate for Premises, Fountain Court and Beaufort Wharf ..		3 10 0	
				45 0 0
	TOTAL			£34,747 7 7

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
G. P. MEADEN,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
G. B. RICHARDSON,
ED. COLLINSON.

STATEMENT AND REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Estimate of the application of the Loan of £2,500,000 now being raised by this Board which received the sanction of the Treasury in November last needs some revision—

1. The amount included on behalf of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District was £500,000, but the Poor Law Board have stated that they cannot allow the Managers to borrow at the present time more than £460,000. From verbal communication with the Clerk to the Managers, I learn that the Managers may in the course of a few months be able to borrow an additional small amount, but I feel that it would not be good policy for this Board to hold money ready for the Managers at any future time, this Board losing interest meanwhile. It would be better to close the transaction with the Managers when they have taken up the £460,000 they have borrowed, and postpone any further loan to them until the Board again goes into the Market.

If the £40,000 not required by the Managers is made available for the Board, £6,000 will be appropriated to the additional payment beyond the £142,000 (mentioned in the estimate which went to the Treasury) for the Southwark and Westminster Communication Loan, paid off on 1st December last. This sum of £142,000 was the amount expected to be required after applying the whole of the Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund in hand to meet part payment of the loan, but the Solicitor afterwards recommended that the amount which had been set aside in respect of later loans should not be applied to pay off the loan in question. This made a difference of £6,000.

3. The expenditure on Finsbury and Southwark Parks is also in excess of the amount estimated last year, so that some portion of the £40,000 would be available for this.

Should the Committee approve of the course, I would recommend that a communication should be addressed to the Treasury proposing that as the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District are only empowered by the Poor Law Board to borrow £460,000, and are, therefore, unable to borrow the additional £40,000 raised by this Board on their behalf, this amount should be taken

as raised for the works of this Board, and any amount which the Poor Law Board may hereafter empower the Managers to borrow can be raised in the Board's next loan. It should be represented that the amount required to complete the repayment of the loan paid off on 1st December last was £148,000 instead of £142,000 (a portion of the Board's Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund being reserved to meet later loans as they fall due), and that further the payments to be made within the year on some of the Board's improvements will exceed the amount estimated in October last, and the Board would propose, after paying such amounts out of the £40,000 before referred to, to carry the balance of the £40,000 to works of another year, a statement of the application of the £40,000 being afterwards sent, for the information of the Treasury.

COPY OF ESTIMATE OF OCTOBER LAST.

Metropolitan Board of Works.

Estimate of Amounts that will be required during the ensuing Twelve Months for Improvements, &c.

Stingo Lane	£38,800	0	0
Fire Brigade	35,000	0	0
Main Drainage	270,000	0	0
Schedule D Sewers	227,000	0	0
Park Lane	135,000	0	0
Chelsea Embankment	123,000	0	0
Minor Improvements	80,000	0	0
Miscellaneous	21,100	0	0
	929,900	0	0
Loan from Bank of England, repayable 1st Dec., 1869	142,000	0	0
Loan from National Debt Commissioners, repayable	928,100	0	0
Metropolitan Asylum District Board	500,000	0	0
	£2,500,000	0	0

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN.

22nd March, 1870.

Accountant's Department, 8th March, 1870.

TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On the winding up of Mr. Hughes's accounts, I find that a quarter's salary to Christmas, 1868, was allowed him in all the accounts furnished to him, his Solicitors, and the European Assurance Society, I, therefore, ask for a formal order for the amount (£187 10s. 0d) to be allowed in the Board's books, as the Auditor will require a Voucher for the same.

Taking that sum into account, I have to state that the total deficiency (after the receipt of the £525 from the European Office) amounts to £1,500 9s. 9d., and should the Committee deem it desirable to apportion the loss on a similar basis as the Establishment Charges were paid for the half year to Christmas, 1868, (charging also the Southwark and Westminster Communication, and the Victoria Park Approach Accounts, and omitting the Park Lane, Stingo Lane, and Chelsea Embankment Accounts), the amounts to be charged to the various Accounts will be as follows—

	PER CENT.	AMOUNT.		
General	35	£525	3	6
Southwark and Westminster Communication	7	105	0	8
Victoria Park Approach	3	45	0	3
Finsbury Park	2	30	0	2
Southwark ,,	2	30	0	2
Fire Brigade	4	60	0	5
Whitechapel Improvement	3	45	0	3
Kensington ,,	3	45	0	3
Main Drainage	10	150	1	0
Thames Embankment, North	11	165	1	1
Southern Embankment	10	150	1	0
Mansion House Street	10	150	1	0
	100	£1,500	9	9

Should the Committee agree with the above apportionment they will probably direct that the necessary transfers be made, one cheque to adjust the accounts between the London and Westminster Bank and the Bank of England will be necessary, *i.e.*, after crediting the accounts at the Bank of England with the net sum of £687 1s. 5d. due to them, and charging them with £465 3s. 1d., the amount of their proportions of the deficiency, the amount of cheque required on the London and Westminster Bank Account will be £221 18s. 4d.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee amounting in the whole to £34,747 7s. 7d. be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £3,980 4s. 5d. be drawn on the Bank of England Account payable to the General Account at the London and Westminster Bank in repayment of sums advanced for Thames Embankment and Mansion House Street purposes, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £10,000 be transferred from money raised by the Loan of £2,500,000, to the Park Lane Improvement Account.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That directions be given to the London and Westminster Bank to pay the coupons due this day on the Loan of £149,900.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £78,000 be drawn in favour of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, being the third instalment of the Loan of £460,000; and that application be made to the Managers for the interest due from them on the 1st April next; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That a Cheque for £23,088 7s. 9d. be drawn on the Consolidated Loans Fund in favour of the Bank of England, for payment of the first quarter's interest, due 6th April next, on the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

The Clerk presented the following letter—

The Metropolitan Asylum District, 37, Norfolk Street, Strand,
London, W.C., 24th March, 1870.

Re Loan.

Dear Sir—

Referring to my Letter of the 8th January last, in which I informed you that the Managers were prepared to take up, as sanctioned, by the Poor Law Board, the £460,000, raised for them by your Board, and also the Balance of the £500,000 at such times and in such sums as they might be authorised by the Poor Law Board, I have now to inform you that the Poor Law Board have since issued an order, dated 21st January, 1870, authorising the Managers to raise an additional sum of £8,000 for the purposes of the Hospital at Hampstead, and I am directed to ask that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be good enough to arrange for the advance of this sum out of the Balance of the £500,000 above referred to, upon the same terms, and at the same rate of interest, as the Loan already negotiated.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. F. JEBB, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That application be made to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for their sanction to the appropriation of the sum of £32,000, (being that portion of the Loan of £2,500,000 raised on behalf of the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District not at present required by them), to the purposes of the Board, viz., £6,000 for further cost of repayment of the Southwark and Westminster Communication Loan, and the remainder to other expenditure on the Board's Capital Account, and that the Solicitor do take the necessary steps for completing the arrangements for the further advance of £8,000 referred to in the foregoing letter from the Clerk to the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the deficiency in the Accounts of the late Accountant, after allowing salary to him up to the 25th December, 1868, be apportioned to the several Accounts of the Board, in the following manner, viz:—

	£	s.	d.
General Account	525	3	6
Southwark and Westminster Communication	105	0	8
Victoria Park Approach	45	0	3
Finsbury Park	30	0	2
Carried forward	£705	4	7

	£	s.	d
Brought forward	705	4	7
Southwark Park	30	0	2
Fire Brigade	60	0	5
Whitechapel Improvement	45	0	3
Kensington Improvement	45	0	3
Main Drainage	150	1	0
Thames Embankment, North	165	1	1
Southern Embankment	150	1	0
Mansion House Street	150	1	0
	£1,500	9	9

And that, with a view to adjust the Accounts between the London and Westminster Bank and the Bank of England, a Cheque for £221 18s. 4d. be drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account at the London and Westminster Bank, in favour of the Cash Account at the Bank of England; and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the London and Westminster Bank be requested to obtain a Power of Attorney, authorising them to receive the dividends on the Board's Three per Cent. Consols.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, it was resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Power of Attorney when prepared.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That a Cheque for £795 be drawn in favour of the Vestry of Kensington, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board, on the 8th May, 1868, (No. 5), towards the cost of an improvement effected by the Vestry in setting back the premises Nos. 58, 60, 62, and 64, High-street, Notting-hill; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That a Cheque for £100 be drawn in favour of the Vestry of Bermondsey, being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board, on the 15th October, 1869, (No. 9), towards an improvement effected by the Vestry in setting back the new warehouse on the sites of Nos. 20 and 21, Bermondsey-wall; and a Cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

8. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 21st March, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the following sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Re Clements—						
Clements, H. C.—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 19, Upper York Street	425	0	0			
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	13	0	0			
				438	0	0

Southern Embankment.

Re Sadler—						
Sadler and Davis—Proportion of Rent of premises in Fore-street, to Michaelmas, 1867				10	0	0

Mansion House Street.

Re Huish's Charity—						
Stephens and Langdale—Taxed Costs of Investment				152	1	9
				£600	1	9

Your Committee have ascertained that the undermentioned payments are required in connection with the proposed road from Plumstead to Crossness Pumping Station. The amounts have been examined and found correct, and your Committee recommend that cheques for the following sums be drawn—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

	£	s.	d.
Re Malcolm——			
Smith and Gwilt—Costs of Title and Conveyance	13	2	6
Allen, H. R.—Surveyor's Fee, as agreed	7	7	0
	£20	9	6

Your Committee have also to report that they have had under consideration the question of the amendments which experience has shown to be desirable in the Petroleum Acts. It appears to them that the present law relative to Petroleum is open to many objections, and that there would be no necessity for the inspection and testing of the stock of every retail dealer, if there were a proper system of inspection and testing at the place of manufacture, or, in the case of foreign oil, on its first introduction into the country. Mr. Richardson, a member of the Sub-Committee to whom your Committee have referred the various matters relating to Gas and Petroleum, has prepared a memorandum suggesting a series of regulations with regard to the importation, manufacture, and sale of Petroleum and its products. This memorandum has received careful consideration, and your Committee are of opinion that it would form a good basis for the proposed new legislation on the subject. A Copy of the Memorandum has already been sent to Members, and your Committee now beg to submit it for the approval of the Board, and recommend that it be sent to the Home Secretary as embodying the views of the Board on the subject.

The attention of your Committee was, some time back, directed to the manner in which the works of the Charing Cross Station of the Metropolitan District Railway were being carried out. Your Committee found, on examination, that the elevation of the Station had not received the sanction the Board, and that its construction in the manner proposed by the Railway Company would be very objectionable on many grounds. Your Committee instructed the Engineer to call the Company's attention to the matter and to give them notice to stop the works until proper authority and assent should be given by the Board. The Company having expressed their willingness to stop the progress of the works in order to afford an opportunity for the engineers to meet and effect an arrangement, negotiations were entered into for that purpose. These, your Committee have much pleasure in reporting have terminated satisfactorily, and litigation, which at one time seemed imminent, will be rendered unnecessary. Mr. Fowler, the Company's Engineer, has on several occasions attended your Committee, and the result of the arrangements come to is embodied in the letter, which, with the accompanying plans, your Committee beg to submit for the information of the Board.

In pursuance of your resolution of the 4th instant, (No. 41), your Committee have considered the letter from Mr. William Tayler, Clerk in the Solicitor's Department, asking to be allowed to retire from the Board's service on a pension. Mr. Tayler has been in the service of the Board and their predecessors, nearly 21 years, and, being now 70 years of age, he represents that the discharge of his duties, which are in a great measure out-door, involves considerable exposure to the weather, and that he finds he is not now able to contend against this in such a manner as to enable him to perform the work entrusted to him so satisfactorily as heretofore. The reasons stated, your Committee think, afford sufficient grounds for Mr. Tayler's wish to retire. Mr. Tayler being a professional man, it is competent for the Board, under the Superannuation Act of 1866, in fixing the amount of his retiring allowance to direct that a number of years not exceeding ten shall be added to the number of years during which he has actually served. His present salary is £225, which for 20½ years service would give a superannuation allowance of £77. The increase of this sum to £100 per annum would afford Mr. Tayler the benefit of about 6 years additional as a professional man, and your Committee think that, having regard to his age and length of service, as well as to the manner in which his

duties have been discharged, this would be a fair and proper amount to award him. They, therefore, beg to recommend that his services be dispensed with and that an allowance of £100 per annum be granted to him for life, such allowance to take effect from Midsummer next.

Your Committee do not propose to recommend the Board to fill up the vacancy caused by Mr. Tayler's retirement, as arrangements will be made to distribute his duties amongst the other Assistants in the Department.

All which your Committee beg to submit,

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
J. O. HALL,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN SAVAGE,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

MEMORANDUM containing regulations with regard to the importation, manufacture, and sale of Petroleum and its products; referred to in the foregoing Report.

The importation of Petroleum has largely augmented of late years, and is daily increasing in importance and extent. As a light-giving substance it is cheaper than any candle or other kind of oil, and will in all probability soon come into general use in the dwellings of the labouring classes. whilst, therefore, legislation should provide for all reasonable contingencies in respect of the inflammability and other dangerous properties of Petroleum, it is desirable that no greater restrictions should be placed on the trade than are absolutely necessary to ensure safety. The existing law relative to Petroleum is open to the following objections—

1. The mode of testing prescribed is uncertain in its operation, and not such as to give accurate results. Testing in a closed vessel, instead of an open one, is necessary, to enable the operator to determine accurately the temperature at which the oil gives off an inflammable vapour.
2. There is not sufficient provision for ascertaining that the Act is complied with by those concerned in the storage and sale of the oil.
3. If such provision were made, to carry it into effect would be so inquisitorial as to be attended with considerable difficulty and obloquy. It would also have the effect of materially restricting the trade, limiting the number of wholesale and retail dealers, and thereby lessening competition, greatly to the disadvantage of the consumer.

To meet these objections, many suggestions have been made, all tending to relieve the retailer from liability, and to provide for the necessary testing and marking of Petroleum in the warehouses when first landed.

The dealers have expressed an opinion favourable to an official inspection of oils on or before landing, and to the levying of a small charge to meet the cost. They complain that at present great injury is done to the trade by the unlicensed sale of Petroleum below the standard fixed by the Act, and which thus competes unfairly with oil which is above the standard.

The following proposals for a system of testing Petroleum on importation are submitted for the consideration of Her Majesty's Government—

1. That foreign Petroleum should be landed only at wharves or warehouses duly licensed by the local authority.
2. That the owners of such wharves or warehouses should be required to enter into a bond not to deliver from the said wharves or warehouses any Petroleum below the statutory limit, except in cases to be specially provided for.
3. That an officer of Customs should attend every vessel importing Petroleum, and superintend the landing and deposit of the oil at the said wharves and warehouses.
4. That an officer, to be appointed by the local authority, should, at the place of deposit, test the oil, and require the separation of the barrels containing oil above standard from those containing oil below standard.
5. That the barrels containing oil above standard should be marked or labelled by the officer, and that it should be unlawful to remove from the premises, or draw the contents of, any barrel not so marked or labelled.
6. That it should be unlawful to remove any barrel containing oil below standard from the part of the wharf or warehouse set apart for such barrels, until the officer is satisfied that the oil therein contained has been raised to the statutory limit, when it should be marked or labelled as above required.

7. That the part of the wharf or warehouse set apart for oil below standard should be secured by sufficient locks, one of which locks should be at the command of the officer only.

8. That it should be declared unlawful, under severe penalties, to mix with Petroleum above standard, naphtha, or any product of distilled Petroleum, which would have the effect of reducing it below standard.

9. That a charge of per barrel should be levied by the local authority, and be paid by the owner or keeper of the wharf or warehouse.

10. That, in the event of any special delivery of oil below standard being necessary, the parties requiring it should obtain from the local authority a special permit containing such conditions as may appear necessary to the local authority for the security of the public, such conditions to be binding on the party sending and the party receiving the oil.

11. That for every such permit there should be levied the sum of

12. That, except as hereinafter provided for, it should be unlawful to keep or sell, for retail purposes, Petroleum giving off an inflammable vapour at less than degrees Fahrenheit, to be ascertained by test in a closed vessel.

13. That the definition of Petroleum in the 3rd section of the Act of 1868 should be altered so as to meet the outline here proposed.

It is assumed that in the Metropolis the Thames Conservators will make due provision for security as regards the conveyance of Petroleum from the vessel to the wharf or warehouse.

Supposing this plan to be approved, there must then be considered the statutory regulations to be made in respect of the home manufactures of Petroleum, and other oils of a similar nature, as well as those works where such articles as naphtha, benzoline, &c., all of which are of a highly inflammable and dangerous character, are distilled from Petroleum; but as these products are held by the dealers in small quantities, and are principally either exported, or used in the process of manufactures, it is suggested that no very special legislation would be required.

It would, however, be desirable—

1. That all manufactories, as also all distilleries of Petroleum, should require a license from the local authority.

2. That the manufactories of Petroleum should be subjected to the same conditions and regulations as are proposed for the owners of wharves where imported Petroleum is landed.

3. That the products of distilled Petroleum, when removed in bulk, should be subject to all the conditions and requirements to which explosive and inflammable articles are subject, when *in transitu*.

4. That, when any such products or Petroleum, below standard, are dealt with for retail purposes, it should be made compulsory, under penalties to label every can, bottle, or other vessel containing the same, with a label calling attention to the fact that it is a highly dangerous and explosive substance.

It is suggested that these provisions contain all that is requisite; but the Act should distinctly provide that the Local Authority, in granting licenses, whether for the storage or distillation of Petroleum, should have regard to the situation of the premises, and to the surrounding property, taking into account the possible danger from fire, the proximity to rivers and canals, &c., and that provision should be made against the possible escape of the oil, when alight, into any rivers, canals, sewers, &c., and also against nuisance from the distillation.

Letter Referred to in the Foregoing Report.

2, Queen Square Place, Westminster, March 21st, 1870.

Gentlemen,—

I am willing, on behalf of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, to construct a footpath bridge fifteen feet wide across the Charing Cross Station of the Metropolitan District Railway in the position shewn on the accompanying Plans, Nos. 1 and 2, over which the public are to have a perpetual right of way, and to form earthwork, and the slopes round so much of the screen wall of the station roof as is east of the bridge of the South-Eastern Railway, and to plant the same with shrubs, on condition that the Metropolitan Board of Works pay to the Metropolitan District Railway Company the sum of £500.

The Metropolitan Board of Works to maintain the bridge and the earthwork and shrubs above referred to in good repair, except the works of the station and station buildings, which will be maintained by the Railway Company.

The amount of £500 to be paid on the certificate of the Engineer of the Metropolitan Board of Works that the work has been completed to his satisfaction.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JOHN FOWLER.

The Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Plans referred to in the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the following cheques be now drawn, viz.—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

	£	s.	d.
Re Malcolm—			
Smith and Gwilt—Costs of Title and Conveyance	13	2	6
Allen, H. R.—Surveyor's Fee, as agreed	7	7	0
	£20	9	6

and Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the memorandum submitted by the Committee, suggesting a series of regulations with regard to the importation, manufacture, and sale of Petroleum and its products, be approved, and that it be sent to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, as embodying the views of the Board on the subject.

Read a letter from Mr. B. Redwood, Secretary to the Committee of the Petroleum Association, dated 23rd March, 1870, requesting the Board to consider the subject of the storage, &c., of Petroleum, with as little delay as possible, and to favour the Committee with their opinion on the suggestions which the Committee have made.

Resolved—That Mr. Redwood be informed of the steps which the Board have taken with regard to the subject.

Mr. Dresser Rogers being, pursuant to notice, about to move—as an amendment on that part of the Report of the Committee which relates to the construction by the Metropolitan District Railway Company of a Bridge through the Charing Cross Station of the Company, at a cost to the Board of £500—That the subject be referred back to the Committee for re-consideration, and that the Engineer do prepare and lay before the Committee, proper working drawings of the proposed bridge, and an estimate of its cost,

The Chairman ruled that the proposition could not be put as an amendment, inasmuch as the Committee had already, under the authority given them by the Board, acted upon the resolutions at which they had arrived, and now merely reported their proceedings for the information of the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That, in consideration of his age, the services of Mr. William Tayler, Clerk in the Solicitor's Department, be dispensed with, and that a retiring allowance of £100 per annum be granted to him for life; such allowance being calculated on a period of twenty-seven years' service, being an addition of six and a half years to the period during which he has actually served, in consideration of the nature of his duties, and that such allowance do take effect from Midsummer next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That so much of the Report as relates to the arrangement for the discharge of Mr. Tayler's duties in the Solicitor's Department, be approved, and that the duties be apportioned amongst the other Assistants in that Department.

9. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, namely—

DATE OF REFERENCE.	APPLICATION.
25 February, 1870, (No. 76.)	Hackney District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Stamford-road, De Beauvoir-town.
8 March, 1867, (No. 73), and 12 July, 1867, (No. 48.)	Lewisham District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Albert-road, &c., Sydenham.
4 February, 1870, (No. 32.)	Lewisham District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Woodbine, Laurel, Hawthorn, and Jasmine-groves, Penge, and Limes-grove, Lewisham.
22 May, 1868, (No. 55.)	Vestry of St. Marylebone, for the re-numbering of the houses in Alpha-road, St. John's-wood.
2 April, 1869, (No. 72.)	Mr. R. J. Hickman, for naming the whole thoroughfare between Maida-vale and St. John's Chapel, "St. John's-wood-road."
19 March, 1869, (No. 91.)	Vestry of Paddington, requesting the Board to apply the name Harrow-road to the line of thoroughfare extending from the Edgware-road to Bishop's-road, thence to the Canal Bridge adjoining No. 26, North side, and thence along the line of road to the western boundary of the parish.
4 June, 1869, (No. 71.)	Vestry of Kensington, for the regulation of the numbers of the houses in Campden-hill-road, Kensington.
11 June, 1869, (No. 70.)	Mr. J. Walker, for the incorporation of Mansell-street and Somerset-street, Whitechapel, under one name.
23rd July, 1869, (No. 100.)	Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, for the re-numbering of the houses in Wilton-road, Pimlico.
6th August, 1869, (No. 110.)	Greenwich District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Bennett-street, Marlborough-street, Pelton-road, Old Woolwich-road, London-street, Thames-street, and Blissett-street.

Your Committee have received Reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected Plans prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the houses in Stamford-road, De Beauvoir-town, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Albert-road and Park-end, Sydenham, be re-named Sydenham-park, and the houses re-numbered.

That Park-road, Sydenham, be re-named Sydenham Park-road, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Woodbine-grove, Penge, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Hawthorn-grove, Penge, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Laurel-grove, Penge, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in Jasmine-grove, Penge, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Limes-grove and Limes-grove North, Lewisham, be re-named "De Legh-street," and the houses re-numbered.

That the names "Omega-place," "Beta-place," and "Boscabel-place," be applied to the three streets leading out of the south-east side of Alpha-road, St. John's-wood, and now bearing the name of that road, and that the houses therein be re-numbered.

That the houses in Alpha-road, St. John's-wood, be re-numbered.

That the whole of the line of thoroughfare extending from Maida-vale to St. John's Chapel be called St. John's-wood-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the name "Paddington-green-road" be applied to that portion of Harrow-road between Edgware-road and Bishop's-road-bridge, that the houses be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the name "Brunel-road" be applied to that portion of Harrow-road between Bishop's-road-bridge and Warwick-road, that the houses be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the houses in that part of Harrow-road, north of Warwick-road, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the numbers 1A, 1B, 1C, and 1D, be applied to the four new houses at the southern end of Campden Hill-road, Kensington.

That Somerset-street, Whitechapel, be incorporated with Mansell-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Wilton-road, Pimlico, be re-numbered.

That Prospect-place be incorporated with Bennett-street, Greenwich, the houses re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Bear-lane and Hog-lane be incorporated with Old Woolwich-Road, Greenwich, and the houses in the whole line of thoroughfare re-numbered.

That Gothic-row be incorporated with Marlborough-street, Greenwich, and the houses in the whole line of thoroughfare re-numbered.

That the houses in London-street, Greenwich, be re-numbered.

That Lambton-terrace be incorporated with Pelton-road, Greenwich, and the houses in the whole line of thoroughfare re-numbered.

That the houses in Thames-street, Greenwich, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Blissett-street, Greenwich, be re-numbered.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of the Vestry of Paddington for the incorporation of Upper Berkeley-street, Upper Berkeley-street West, and Berkeley-place, under the one name "Upper Berkeley-street,," referred by the Board on the 29th January, 1869, (No. 71), and a communication signed by certain residents in Upper Berkeley-street on the subject, referred by the Board on the 19th November, 1869, (No. 30). The houses in Upper Berkeley-street West, were re-numbered by Order of the Board in 1857, and your Committee have had before them a Memorial, signed by all the residents in that street, protesting against any further alteration, either in the name of the street, or in the numbers of their houses. The inhabitants of Upper Berkeley-street also object to any alteration in their address, and, under these circumstances, your Committee recommend— .

That no alteration be made in the names Upper Berkeley-street West, and Berkeley-place, nor in the numbering of the houses therein.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby resolbed and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Stamford-road, De Beauvoir-town, in the Parish of Saint John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced marked 1014, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the north-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 32, to those on the south-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest De Beauvoir-road; that the names Stamford-villas, Northampton-villas, Devon-

port villas, Alpha-cottages, Pembroke-villas, Gloucester-villas, Badajoz-cottages, Eleatha-cottages, Claremont-cottages, Francis-place, Mary's-place, Albion-cottages, Woodbine-cottages, Stamford-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Stamford-road and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Stamford-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed**, and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Albert-road and Park-end, Sydenham, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1015 in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 65, being assigned to the houses on the north-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 54, to those on the south-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Kirkdale; that the names Albert-road, Park-end, Park-terrace, York-villas, Clifton-villas, Carlton-villas, Marlborough-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Albert-road and Park-end, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Sydenham-park, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Park-road, Sydenham, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the consecutive numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 17, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1016, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the names Park-road, Burton-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Park-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Sydenham Park-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Woodbine-grove, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1017, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 107, being assigned to the houses on the north-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 126, to those on the south-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Oakfield-road; that the names Claremont-cottages, Rose-cottages, Hampton-cottages, Surrey-place, Elizabeth-place, Brimsey-terrace, Hertford-terrace, Beehive-cottages, Elizabeth-cottages, Albert-cottages, Grove-villas, Woodbine-cottages, Unity-place, Agnes-cottages, Windsor-cottages, Montague-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Woodbine-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Woodbine-grove, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Hawthorn-grove, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1018, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 121, being assigned to the houses on the north-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2, and ending with 92, to those on the south-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Oakfield-road; that the names Hawthorn-villas, Eleanor-terrace, Vine-cottages, Eugenie-cottages, Thorn-villas, Norfolk-terrace, Suffolk-terrace, Reform-terrace, Bath-cottages, Flowton-terrace, Hawthorn-cottages, Primrose-cottages, Homewood-cottages, Cornwall-villas, The Briars, and any other names or names now in use in Hawthorn-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Hawthorn-grove, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Laurel-grove, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1019, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the north-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 80, to those on the south-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Oakfield-road; that the names Amy-cottages, Myrtle-villas, Oxford-villas, Erdington-villas, Theodoron, Laurel-villas, The Terrace, Linden-cottages, St. Mary's-cottages, Overton-villas, Oxford-terrace, Alfred-villas, Aland-cottages, The Quadrant, and any other name or names now in use in Laurel-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Laurel-grove, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Jasmine-grove, in the Hamlet of Penge, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,020, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 61, being assigned to the houses on the north-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 44, to those on the south-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Oakfield-road; that the names Chatsworth-villas, Beaumont-villas, St. Bernard's-villas, Enmore-villas, Newport-villas, Jasmine-villas, Grove-villas, Somerset-villas, Camden-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Jasmine-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Jasmine-grove, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Limes-grove and Limes-grove North, in the Parish of Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,021, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Limes-grove, Limes-grove North, and any other name or names now in use in Limes-grove and Limes-grove North, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called De Leghstreet, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Alpha-road, in the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, which is marked D on the Plan now produced, be marked with the numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 17, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan, numbered 1,022; that the names Alpha-road, Omega-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned portion of Alpha-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Omega-Place, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Alpha-road, in the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, which is marked C on the Plan now produced, numbered 1,022, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, in lieu of the existing numbers as shown on the said Plan, that the name Alpha-road, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned portion of Alpha-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Beta-place, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Alpha-road, in the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, which is marked B on the Plan now produced, numbered 1,022, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Alpha-road, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned portion of Alpha-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Boscobel-place, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of Alpha-road, in the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, which is marked A on the Plan now produced, numbered 1,022, be marked with the numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 24, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Alpha-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of St. John's Wood-road, in the Parish of Saint Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,023, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 47, being assigned to the houses on the north-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the south-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Maida-vale; that the names Hamilton-place, Grove End-place, Melbourne-place, Wharncliffe-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in St. John's Wood-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called St. John's Wood-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Harrow-road which lies between Edgware-road and Bishop's-road Bridge, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1024, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 147, being assigned to the houses on the southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 74, to those on the northern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Edgware-road; that the names Harrow-road, Wellington-terrace, Margaret-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned part of Harrow-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Paddington Green-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Harrow-road, which lies between Bishop's-road Bridge and Warwick-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of

Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1025, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 29, being assigned to the houses on the south-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 40, to those on the north-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Bishop's-road Bridge; that the names Harrow-road, Bridge-place, Bridge-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in the above-mentioned part of Harrow-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Brunel-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Harrow-road, which lies north of Warwick-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1026, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 171, being assigned to the houses on the southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 418, to those on the northern side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Warwick-road; that the names Westbourne-villas, Marlborough-terrace, Jonson-place, Windsor-terrace, Woodfield-terrace, Woodfield-place, Westbourne-place, Saint James's-terrace, Blomfield-terrace, Blomfield-crescent, Westbourne-park-terrace, Cromwell-terrace, Oliver-terrace, Desborough-place, Neeld-terrace, Chippenham-terrace, Frankfort-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in the above-mentioned part of Harrow-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Harrow-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the four new houses in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Campden Hill-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary Abbott, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers 1a, 1b, 1c, and 1d, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1027, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Somerset-street and Mansell-street, partly in the Parish of Saint Mary, Whitechapel, and partly in the City of London, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1028, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 95, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 96, to those on the western side; that such

numbers do commence at the northern end; that the names Somerset-street, Smith's-buildings, and any other name or names now in use in Somerset-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Mansell-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District, and to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Wilton-road, in the Parish of Saint George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 49, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1029, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Wilton-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Wilton-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Wilton-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered** on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Bennett-street and Lower Creed-place, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1030, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 74, to those on the western side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the names Lower Creed-place, Prospect-place, Isabella-cottages, Batchelor's-hall, and any other name or names now in use in Bennett-street and Lower Creed-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Bennett-street, and that notice of this order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Bear-lane, Hog-lane, and Old Woolwich-road, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,031, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 103, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 162, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Bear-lane, Hog-lane, Durham-place, Morden-place, Norfolk-place, West Norfolk-place, and any other name or names now in use in Bear-lane, Hog-lane, and Old Woolwich-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Old Woolwich-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of

the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Marlborough-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1032, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 81, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 82, to those on the western side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest the River Thames; that the names Gothic-row, Marlborough-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Marlborough-street and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Marlborough-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of London-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,033, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 87, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 94, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Church-street; that the name Bexley-place, and any other name or names now in use in London-street and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called London-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Pelton-road, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,034, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 93, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Lambton-terrace, Cornwall-terrace, Lime-tree-cottages, Bovey-terrace, Deacon-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Pelton-road and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Pelton-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

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Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Thames-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now pro-

duced, marked 1035, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 119, being assigned to the houses on the south side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the north side; that such numbers do commence at the eastern end; that the names Valentine-place, Sherry's-place, and any other name or names now in use in Thames-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Thames-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 15th day of March, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Blissett-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,036, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 59, being assigned to the houses on the north-west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 88, to those on the south-east side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest South-street; that the name Blissett-place, and any other name or names now in use in Blissett-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Blissett-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbed, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That no alteration be made in the names Upper Berkeley-street, Upper Berkeley-street West, and Berkeley-place, nor in the numbering of the houses therein, and that the Vestry of Paddington and the several parties interested be informed accordingly.

10. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion relative to Public Buildings had been given by Lord Elcho, M.P., viz., "That no general control over works and buildings in the Metropolis, constructed under Parliamentary sanction, being at present vested in any Government or Public Officer or Department other than that now exercised by Departments of Government over the Buildings that are under their superintendence, and the design and execution of unsightly works such as the Charing Cross Railway Station, and the Railway Bridges across the streets and roadways of the Metropolis, as well as the juxtaposition of the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bridge and the new Blackfriars Bridge across the Thames, being reasonably attributable to the fact that Railway, Gas, Water, and other Public Companies or Corporate and Chartered Bodies have not been hitherto required to deposit any designs, elevations, or models of projected works or buildings when applying for Parliamentary powers, it is the opinion of this House that, having regard to the improvement of the Metropolis, and as a security against its further disfigurement, it is desirable that when any Public Company or Corporate Body applies for Parliamentary powers to enable it to execute any works or erect any buildings in the Metropolis, or to raise money for the execution or erection of such works or buildings, it should, as recommended by the Thames Embankment Committee of last Session, before coming to Parliament, deposit at the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, plans and elevations, designs or models, in like manner as Railway Companies are now obliged to deposits plans and sections at the Board of Trade; and that the Standing Orders be amended so as to effect this object. And it is further the opinion of this House that the first Commissioner of Works should, as also recommended by the same Committee, report to Parliament on such plans and elevations, designs or models, and that such Reports should be referred to the Committees on Private Bills in the same manner as the Reports from the Board of Trade and Admiralty are now referred, and that they be also laid before both Houses of Parliament along with the plans and elevations, designs or models, on which they are based."

11. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill stood for second reading on the 11th April next, and he laid before the Board, copies of petitions presented against this Bill by

the Guardians of the Poor of the City of London and the Vestries of St. Marylebone and St. George, Hanover-square.

12. The Solicitor reported that the East London Railway Company's Bill, had passed through the Select Committee of the House of Commons.

13. The Solicitor reported that the following members had been appointed by the House of Commons on the Committee on the Thames Navigation Bill, viz.:—Mr. Lock, Mr. Goldney, Mr. Morley, Mr. Ward Jackson, and Mr. Ayrton; and that the following members had been added by the Committee of Selection, viz., Sir Thomas Bazley, Mr. Thomas Brassey, Mr. Meyrick, Mr. O'Neill, and Mr. Hanbury Tracey.

14. The Solicitor reported that the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment Bill, stood for second reading this day at the evening sitting; that the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Act Amendment Bill was now before the Works and General Purposes Committee for settlement; and that the Metropolitan Railway Bill came before the Select Committee of the House of Commons yesterday, when the case of the promoters had been taken, and that the Committee would sit again this day, when Mr. Rodwell, Q.C. would be heard on behalf of the Board. The Solicitor also reported that the Metropolitan District Railway Bill had been taken by the Select Committee, but only partially in connection with the previous Bill.

15. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the first report of the Sanitary Commission.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had not yet given his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

17. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Bakehouses Bill was deferred until the 29th instant, and that the Gas and Water Facilities Bill, and the Railways (Power and Construction) Bill were not yet printed, and that the second reading of those Bills was appointed for the 7th April next.

18. The Solicitor also reported that the following notice of motion had been given by Alderman Sir James Lawrence, M.P. "That the House Tax is unequally and unfairly assessed, imposes unnecessary restrictions upon the construction of buildings specially adapted for the working classes, and ought to be repealed."

19. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Suburban Commons' Bill stood for the 11th May next.

20. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

21. The Solicitor reported that the following notice had been given by Sir Charles Dilke, M.P.: "To ask the Secretary of the Treasury, whether it is the intention of the Commissioners of Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues to sell to Lord Spencer the rights which the Crown enjoys over the Commons within the Manor of Wimbledon, in respect of an enfranchised copyhold farm of 40 acres, which rights are at present the chief obstacle to the proposed conversion of 140 acres of Wimbledon Common into a sewage farm."

22. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Bentinck had given notice of his intention to move, on the motion for the second reading, that the Corporation of London Bill and the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill be read a second time that day six months.

23. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. William Henry Smith, M.P., had given notice of his intention to call attention to the increase of pauperism in London and to the operation of the Poor Law and of private charity on the condition of the people, and to move an address for a Royal Commission to inquire and report on the administration of the Poor Law and its effect on the social condition of the people.

24. The Solicitor reported, with respect to the resolution of the Board of Friday last (No. 42), relative to the paving of Collins-street, Garden-row, and Clyde-terrace, Lewisham, that he

had not yet been able to prepare Reports in those matters, as he found it absolutely necessary to have a personal interview with Mr. Edwards, the Clerk to the Lewisham District Board, before doing so.

25. The Solicitor presented a letter from Messrs. Nicholson and Herbert, Solicitors to the Marquis of Salisbury, dated 21st March, 1870, stating their intention of withdrawing the petition of his Lordship against the Thames Embankment (North) Viaduct Roadway Bill.

26. The Solicitor presented a notice received from the South-Eastern Railway Company as to an extension of time for construction in respect of part of their Greenwich and Woolwich line.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

27. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following Contracts; viz.:—

Contract with Mr. Thomas Pearson for construction of sewerage works at Limehouse.

Contract with Mr. John Mensley for supply of water boots.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contracts respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

28. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of a scheme for the amalgamation of the Central Gas Consumers' Company with the Gaslight and Coke Company, and reported that he had requested the Board of Trade to give this Board notice before considering the scheme, and he suggested that probably the Board would refer the scheme to the Parliamentary Committee to consider whether any representation should be made to the Board of Trade upon the subject.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Solicitor's suggestion be acted upon, and that the matter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee accordingly.

29. The Solicitor presented the copy of a writ served on the Board by Messrs. Combe and Wainwright, on behalf of the London Engineering and Iron Shipbuilding Company, Limited, for enforcing their claim against the Board in respect of works connected with the Steamboat piers on the Thames Embankment, North.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with respect thereto.

30. Read a Report as follows—

24th March, 1870.

The Queen, *v.* James Walker—A Fourth Class Fireman.

I beg to report that on the 21st instant, Engineer Godward sent Fireman (Thomas Benton), to the Victoria-street Fire Brigade Station, for £12 9s., the wages of the men at the Portland-street Station—that the Prisoner hearing the message given to Benton, followed him, and meeting him obtained the £12 9s., under the pretence that he had been sent for the money by Godward, and that Benton was wanted immediately at Watling-street Station. On obtaining the £12 9s., Walker absconded. On the true facts becoming known, information was given at Scotland-yard with a description of the Prisoner, and, early on the morning of the 22nd instant, a policeman met the Prisoner in Clerkenwell and took him into custody—that the Prisoner was brought up before the magistrate at Westminster Police Court on the 22nd instant, and the facts proved by the several firemen, and the Magistrate committed Prisoner for trial at the next Middlesex Sessions, which commence on Monday next.

Perhaps the Board will instruct me to prosecute and to take such steps as may be necessary.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do take the necessary steps for prosecuting the offender.

31. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That a copy of the Gas and Water Facilities Bill, and of the scheme for the amalgamation of the Central Gas Consumers' Company with the Gaslight and Coke Company, be sent to each Member of the Board.

32. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
KENSINGTON.				
Norburn-street, north of Golbourne-road, Portobello Estate, Notting-hill.	195	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
SAINT MARYLEBONE.				
Great Titchfield-street, Bolsover-street, George-street, Carburton-street, Buckingham-street, Clipstone-street, Upper Marylebone-street, Saville-street, Charlton-street, Upper Charlton-street, and Cirencester-place.	About 6,948	4′ 0″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
HACKNEY.				
Malvern-road, Richmond-road, Dalston.	About 430	12 inch.	Pipe.	The half-brick Sewer to have not less than 6 inches of concrete all round where necessary.
Marsh Sewer, between Lea Bridge Road and Spring-hill, Clapton.	About 1,210	4′ 0″ barl.	1 brick.	Special precautions to be taken to make sewer water-tight.
	2,120	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 ,,	
	1,950	3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″	½ ,,	
	880	15 inch.	Pipe.	If Lea Dock cannot be filled up at present, or the sewer carried across it on the Embankment, so as to render unnecessary the construction of the proposed syphon, it will be necessary to provide means for flushing the syphon, either by a Dam or Penstock at the upper end of it.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

33. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
24th March, 1870.

RAILWAY BRIDGES.

The only bridges remaining unfinished at the date of the last quarterly report were the four for carrying the Great Eastern Railway across the Amhurst-road, Dalston-lane, and Downs-park road, Hackney. No further progress has been made with the works of these bridges since that date.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

34. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. B. Burnell, on behalf of Mrs. St. Leger, of the "King's Head," No. 50, Great Tower Street, City, applying for compensation for alleged loss sustained in her business from the execution of the Board's Sewerage Works; stating that one of the shafts connected with the Low Level Sewer Works on Tower-hill was near to the claimant's premises, in consequence of which it was alleged that the drivers of carts, cabs, &c., were not allowed to stop at her door, as previously, thus depriving her of their custom; that there was nothing in the case to distinguish it from that of others, in the immediate vicinity of whose premises like works had been carried out, and whose claims had not been entertained, and recommending that it be similarly dealt with.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Burnell be informed that the Board cannot entertain his client's claim.

35. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. W. Davenport, on behalf of Mr. T. E. Snook, applying for compensation for the alleged damage

to his house, No. 68, Brunswick Street, Poplar, by flooding; stating the facts, and recommending that, subject to the advice of the Solicitor, the claim of the owner be not entertained.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

36. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 4th February last (No.19), on a letter from the Board of Works for the Poplar District, transmitting copy of Reports by their Foremen of roads, relative to stench emitted from certain gullies and ventilators connected with the Main Sewers in various parts of the district; stating that the gullies and ventilators referred to were situate in parts of High, Regent, King, and Upper North-streets, Brunswick and Devon's-roads and Bow Common-lane; that the Board's Sewers were cleansed from time to time, according to the usual custom, and that, having regard to the safety of the men working in them, it would not be practicable to stop up every opening, but that directions had been given for the Main Sewers, in the localities named, to be more frequently cleansed, in order to remedy the complaints as much as possible.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the Report be approved, and that a communication, founded thereon, be sent to the Poplar District Board.

37. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. G. Crafter, on behalf of Mr. J. Dyble, of the "Black Horse," Thames-street, Rotherhithe, applying for compensation for alleged damage to his stock in trade by flooding from the Board's Sewerage Works; setting forth the facts, and stating that Mr. Nicholson, the Contractor for the Works, had now the subject of the claim under his notice, and that it was, therefore, unnecessary at the present time for the Board to take further steps therein.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

38. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. C. Etherington, on behalf of Mr. J. Hopkins, applying for compensation for alleged damage sustained from the overflow of sewage water into his premises, Orchard-place, East Acton, on the occasion of the heavy rain on the 4th instant; stating that the occupant of the land adjoining the Board's open sewer in Old Oak-lane, had been trimming the hedge skirting it, and that some of the tops and branches had accumulated in the sewer against the grating at the inlet to the covered portion, thus causing the water to flow on to the roadway, and so to the complainant's cellar, and that he did not think the Board could, under those circumstances, be held liable for the alleged damage.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Mr. Etherington.

39. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
24th March, 1870.

QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, LOW LEVEL SEWER.

IT will be necessary, for the purpose of reversing the drainage from Upper Thames-street into the Low Level Sewer, that about 150 feet of 4' 6" × 3' 0" egg-shaped brick sewer should be constructed. The cost will not exceed £170, and I recommend that the work should be executed by Messrs. Kelk, Waring Brothers, and Lucas, at the schedule of prices attached to their contract with the Board.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed by Messrs. Kelk, Waring Brothers, and Lucas, at the schedule of prices attached to their contract with the Board.

40. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 24th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have under consideration the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill, which have been introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. Buxton. The provisions of the Bills

are somewhat different from those which were before Parliament last year, for the same object. Your Committee have caused an analysis of them to be prepared, which indicates the principal points of difference between them and the Bills of last year, and to which they have appended a summary of the recommendations contained in the second report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons which sat in 1867, on the subject of the local government of the Metropolis. Your Committee have given directions for the analysis to be printed, and a copy sent to each Member of the Board; and, as the subject is of great importance and such as would naturally engage the attention of the Board, your Committee are of opinion that the Board should express their opinion upon it, and with this view they recommend that it be referred in the first instance to a Special Committee of the whole Board, for consideration and report.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill, referred to them on the 18th instant (No. 22). The object of the Bill is to provide for the equal distribution over the Metropolis, of a further portion of the charge for the relief of the poor, thus extending the application of the principle of the Metropolitan Poor Act, 1867. It appears to your Committee that the Bill contains no provisions calling for the interference of this Board.

Your Committee reported on the 11th instant that they had instructed the Solicitor to retain Counsel to appear, on behalf of the Board, against the South Eastern Railway Bill with a view to secure the formation of the line of railway between Greenwich and Woolwich, which is much desired by the inhabitants of the district. Subsequently, the agents for the Bill announced the intention of the Company not to obtain powers for the construction of the new line, and, therefore, not to abandon the line sanctioned in 1866, but simply to extend the time for its formation. Under these circumstances, your Committee directed the Solicitor to watch the progress of the Bill, and not to instruct Counsel to appear unless it should hereafter become necessary.

With regard to the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill, your Committee have to report that an amended Bill has been prepared, from which the powers to construct the proposed new line from the Finchley-road to the Edgware-road are omitted. The promoters have, therefore, practically conceded the points upon which the Board objected to the Bill, and it appears to your Committee unnecessary for the Board to incur the expense of opposing on their petition.

Your Committee have also to report, with regard to the Thames Navigation Bill, which is now before a Select Committee, that, under the authority given to them on the 4th instant, (No. 21), they have directed Mr. Rodwell, Q.C., and Mr. Bidder to be instructed to appear in support of the Board's petition.

With regard to the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (various powers) Bill, your Committee are of opinion that, as the Bill is only for the purpose of improving in some respects the line sanctioned by the Act of last Session, it is not desirable for the Board to oppose it. They have accordingly authorised the Solicitor to inform the promoters to that effect, reserving, of course, the right of the Board to take any course hereafter which may seem expedient.

25th March, 1870.

Your Committee have further to report that the Select Committee on the Tramways Bill introduced by the Government, sat yesterday, and deliberated for some time. They decided that they would hear Counsel in support of the views of the Board, that there should be one controlling power over the whole Metropolis, and intimated that they would meet again on Tuesday, when they would expect parties to be ready with their suggestions. Your Committee have accordingly met this morning to consider the course to be adopted, and, after full consideration, it appears to them that the proper course will be to amend the Bill by constituting the Board the local authority for exercising all the powers with regard to tramways in the Metropolis. Your Committee are of opinion that this is the only effectual and satisfactory way of dealing with the subject, and, believing that this is in accordance with the views of the Board, they have, subject to the Board's approval, instructed the Solicitor to

amend the Bill in this sense, and to submit the same to the Select Committee at their next meeting. They have also given directions for two Counsel to be retained to support the Board's case.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
W. H. DALTON,
J. O. HALL.

ANALYSIS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill.

This Bill, which has just been introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. Buxton, has for its object the establishment of a new form of local government in the metropolis. It is proposed to divide the metropolis into a series of boroughs, each to be governed by a Warden and Council, to supersede the present division into parishes and districts, as defined by the Metropolis Local Management Act, and to abolish the Vestries and District Boards. Thus, instead of the metropolis being divided, for the purposes of local government, into thirty-nine parishes or districts, as at present, it would be composed of nine municipal boroughs, exclusive of the City of London, and each municipality would have, as nearly as possible, the same powers and duties as are possessed by the Vestries and District Boards.

The Bill differs considerably from that introduced last year, in which it was proposed to have, in addition to a Council, a Mayor and Alderman for each borough, and generally to assimilate, as far as possible, the metropolitan boroughs to those created under the Municipal Corporations Act. It is now proposed that there shall be no Mayor and no Aldermen, but only a Warden with a certain number of Councillors.

The Councillors of the boroughs are to be elected annually, and the elections are to be governed by the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exception of the first election in each borough, which is to be conducted according to the provisions of the Metropolis Local Management Act relating to the election of Vestrymen. There appears to be no provision in the Bill as to the mode of election of the Warden. The boroughs are to be divided into wards, corresponding in some cases with parishes. Large parishes, however, are to be divided into two or more wards, Marylebone and St. Pancras, for instance, being each divided into six; and some small parishes it is proposed to group two or three together to form a ward. The number of wards and the number of Councillors proposed to be allotted to each borough are as follows, viz.—

Borough.	Wards.	Councillors.
Westminster	10	20
Chelsea	7	20
Marylebone	15	40
Finsbury	12	35
Hackney	9	30
Tower Hamlets	9	30
Lambeth	10	30
Southwark	12	20
Greenwich	8	20

It is to be supposed that the wards will vary in size and importance, as from the foregoing numbers it is apparent that the number of Councillors cannot be equally divided amongst the wards, One of the schedules to the Bill, however, contains provisions for the division of the boroughs into wards and the apportionment of Councillors, very similar to those in the Metropolis Local Management Act for the apportionment of the number of Vestrymen, &c.

Several of the boroughs will be of great extent, as may be gathered from the fact that the borough of Marylebone will include the Parishes of Marylebone, St. Pancras, Paddington, and Hampstead, comprising an area of over 12 miles, and a population of more than half a million; while the proposed boroughs of Lambeth and Greenwich, including as they will large semi-rural districts, will contain about 26 and 35 square miles respectively. The boundaries of the proposed municipal boroughs will in most instances correspond with those of the existing parliamentary divisions, but in the two boroughs of Lambeth and Greenwich above referred to, a considerable portion of which is semi-rural, will be comprised a large area, which, for the purposes of representation in Parliament, is included in the counties.

Corporation of London Bill.

The object of this Bill is to create a central authority for the metropolis, to be called the Metropolitan Corporation of London, and to continue the municipal government of the City of London, the City being excluded from the operation of the first Bill. To the Central Corporation it is proposed to transfer all the powers and functions of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and they

are to have jurisdiction over the whole of the metropolis. They will have charge of whatever concerns London as a whole, while the charge of the local affairs and interests of each borough will be with the municipal authorities of the borough.

The Corporation of the City Proper will subside into an ordinary municipal body, to be composed of Warden, Aldermen, and Council, and will have within its own area the same powers as those of the other boroughs proposed to be established, their higher functions and dignity being transferred to the Central Corporation. The City Council will, however, continue to have control of the City Police, while the City Commissioners of Sewers and the City Court of Lieutenancy will remain untouched. The Court of Aldermen of the City is no longer to sit apart from the Council, or to have any power or authority distinct from the Council. It appears to be proposed that the Warden of the City shall be a paid officer, and in this respect different from the wardens of the other boroughs.

The Central Corporation is to consist of Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Metropolitan Council, and the constitution of these Bodies, as now existing in the City, is re-organised to meet the requirements of the new arrangement. The office of Lord Mayor will remain the same, only with extended jurisdiction, and there will be attached thereto the same dignity and precedence, and the same duties, rights, power, and authority as are now possessed by the Lord Mayor of the City. The Lord Mayor of London is to be elected by the Metropolitan Council, and the power at present exercised by the Court of Common Hall or of the Liverymen of the City of London to nominate a Lord Mayor, is to cease. The first Lord Mayor of London, however, is to be the person who at the commencement of this Act shall be Mayor of the City of London. The Warden of the City of London is to be, by virtue of his office, an Alderman of the Central Corporation, and the Deputy Mayor, and in the event of the death of the Lord Mayor before the expiration of his term of office, he is to become Lord Mayor for the remainder of the current year of office, a new Warden being elected by the Council of the City.

The Aldermen of London are to be—

(1) The Chairman, at the commencement of this Act, of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(2) Originally all, and ultimately eight, of the Aldermen of the City of London, as representatives of that city.

(3) Three Councillors of each of the metropolitan boroughs, as representatives thereof.

The Alderman who at the commencement of the Act is Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works, is to be, during his life, Chairman of Committees of the Metropolitan Council, if he shall be willing to accept the position. On the first vacancy in the office of Chairman of Committees, the office is to cease, and the number of Aldermen of London to be reduced by one. No vacancy amongst the Aldermen representing the City is to be filled up until the number has been reduced to eight; whether this is exclusive or not, of the Deputy Mayor, does not clearly appear. The number of Aldermen will thus eventually stand at thirty-five.

The Metropolitan Councillors are to be—

(1) The Members, at the commencement of this Act, of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(2) 32 Members of the Council of the City of London, as representatives of that city.

(3) 135 Councillors of Metropolitan boroughs, as representatives thereof.

The Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works are only to be members of the Metropolitan Council until the expiration of the term for which they were elected members of the Board, after which their places will not be filled up. The number of Councillors will thus eventually stand at 167. The number of Aldermen and Councillors for the several boroughs will be as follows—

	Aldermen.	Councillors.
City of London	8	32
City of Westminster	3	13
Borough of Chelsea	3	10
,, Marylebone	3	23
,, Finsbury	3	18
,, Hackney	3	15
,, Tower Hamlets	3	16
,, Lambeth	3	13
,, Southwark	3	15
,, Greenwich	3	12
	35	167

In the Bill of last year it was proposed to assign to the City of London, as their ultimate proportion of the representation in the Central Body, 5 Aldermen (exclusive of the Deputy Mayor and 35 Councillors). The total number of representatives proposed for the City in the present Bill is the same, the increased number of Aldermen being counterbalanced by a reduction in the number of

Councillors. It is not apparent upon what principle the representation is apportioned, as between the City of London and the other parts of the Metropolis; but it is clearly not on the basis usually adopted, and which is laid down in the Metropolis Local Management Act, viz., the number of inhabited houses, and the rateable value, inasmuch as it is proposed to give the City one-fifth of the total representation, while its rateable annual value is less than one-eight, and its population about one-twenty-fifth of that of the whole Metropolis. The City of London would have a representation nearly equal to that of the City of Westminster and the borough of Marylebone together, and quite equal to that of the boroughs of Finsbury and the Tower Hamlets, united, although either two of the boroughs named contain a population more than six times as large, and have a much greater rateable value. Thus, while according to the census of 1861, the population of the City of London was then 111,784, the population of the City of Westminster and the borough of Marylebone together was 711,932, and that of Finsbury and the Tower Hamlets combined was 714,327. Again, while, according to the last county rate assessment, the rateable annual value of the property in the City of London was £2,249,162, the value of that in the City of Westminster and the proposed borough of Marylebone together was £6,264,764, and of that in the proposed boroughs of Finsbury and the Tower Hamlets, £3,574,018. It is abundantly clear, therefore, that the proposed apportionment of the representation in the Metropolitan Council, as between the City of London and the other boroughs, is not determined with reference to population and the rateable value of property; if it were, the representation allotted to the City would be considerably less.

With regard to the mode of election of the Aldermen and Councillors to form the Central Body, the Bill provides that those who are to represent the City shall be elected by the Council of the City. For the other boroughs of the metropolis, however, it is provided that at each election of Councillors in each borough, three of the persons then elected to be Councillors shall be elected to be also Aldermen of London as representatives of the borough; and also that at each such election of Councillors, so many of the persons then elected to be Councillors as amount to the prescribed number of Metropolitan Councillors of London representatives of the borough, shall be elected to be also such Metropolitan Councillors. How are they to be elected, and who are to elect them, does not appear; and as there are to be three Aldermen for instance for each borough, and the boroughs are to be divided into eight, ten, twelve, or fifteen wards, each ward electing its own representatives, it is difficult to see how the Aldermen can be elected direct by the ratepayers, at the same time as the borough Councillors. The Bill, at all events, does not indicate how they are to be elected. There is a provision, however, that if at any borough election there is for any reason a failure to elect all or any of the three Aldermen, or all or any of the prescribed number of Metropolitan Councillors, the prescribed number of Aldermen and Councillors, or the residue thereof (as the case may require) shall be elected by the Council of the borough, who are also to fill any casual vacancies which may occur between the regular periods of election.

The Sheriffs of London and Middlesex are to exist, with the same power, authority, and functions as heretofore, only they will be elected from among the Aldermen of the Central Corporation, and their authority and functions will extend over the whole of the Metropolis. The Recorder and Common Serjeant of London are to be elected by the Metropolitan Council, the former subject to the approval of Her Majesty, to be signified by the Lord Chancellor. The Corporation of the City are no longer to have any jurisdiction or authority over any portion of the borough of Southwark, and there is to be no further election of Aldermen or officers for the Ward of Bridge Without. All the property of the Corporation of the City of London and of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and all duties, tolls, and revenues receivable by them are to be transferred to the Metropolitan Corporation, to be held and applied for the public benefit of the inhabitants of the metropolis. The Corporation property in Southwark (other than the Bridge House Estates) is to be disposed of, and a town hall is to be built for the borough of Southwark by the Metropolitan Corporation on such terms as they and the Council of that borough may agree on.

All the powers and duties of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and all those of the Corporation of the City of London except such as are proposed to be reserved to the Council of the City, are to be transferred to the Metropolitan Corporation of London. The latter is to have the power of remedying defects in its constitution, and may make bye-laws, which must, however, be certified, by the Recorder to be not inconsistent with the Act.

The Metropolitan Council are empowered to fix the salaries of the Lord Mayor and the Chairman of Committees, and also to allow to the standing and other Committees of the Council such yearly or other sums of money for the attendance of the members of those Committees as the Council may think fit.

The Bill also contains various miscellaneous clauses providing for the payment to the Central Corporation of all rates made by the Metropolitan Board of Works before the passing of the Act, for the validity of all existing contracts, for compensation to officers, and other matters.

County of London Bill.

The Bill introduced under this title contains similar provisions to those which last year were included in the Corporation of London Bill relative to making a separate county of the Metropolis. The provisions are in substance the same, but it has probably been thought more convenient to embody them in a separate Bill.

It is proposed that the Metropolis shall be a county of itself by the name of the County of London, with a separate commission of the peace. The justices are to reside within the county, or within 25 miles of the Guildhall, in the City of London. It is provided that nothing in the Bill shall interfere with the exercise of Her Majesty's power of issuing a separate commission of the peace for the City of London, or for any Metropolitan borough.

The county is to have a separate prison jurisdiction, all prisons now existing in the county being transferred to it, and the prison authority would be the justices of the county in quarter sessions assembled. Appeals under the Licensing Acts and appeals as to county rates are to be made to the justices. The person who, at the commencement of this Act, is Clerk of the Peace for the City of London is to be Clerk of the Peace for the county, and on the occurrence of a vacancy in the office, the county justices are to appoint thereto. The Chamberlain of London is to be treasurer of the county.

With regard to county rates, the Metropolitan Council of London are to have the powers of county justices, but the members are not to have the powers of county justices individually. The Secretary of State is to determine what part of the real and personal estate of the counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent, and what part of the charges and liabilities of the said counties shall be transfered to the County of London; and he is also to apportion the mortgages existing on the county rates. All existing contracts, &c., of city or county justices are to be valid, and there are various other miscellaneous provisions.

Report of Select Committee on Metropolitan Local Government, 1867.

Contrasted with the scheme of municipal government propounded in the Bills above described, we have that sketched out in the recommendations contained in the second report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, on Metropolitan Local Government, in 1867. The plan recommended by the Committee, though involving many changes in the existing order of things, still retains the present system as a basis to a greater extent than the more elaborate scheme contemplated in the three Bills now before Parliament. The Committee proposed to retain the Metropolitan Board of Works as the central authority altering its constitution, enlarging its powers, and changing its name to that of "The Municipal Council of London." They also proposed to retain the local boards, suggesting, however, a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided, being of opinion that the existing divisions are in some cases too small and inconvenient, and they suggested that the governing authority of each district should be called "The Common Council" of the district.

The principal recommendations of the Select Committee were as follows—That the metropolis should form a county of itself, with a separate commission of the peace, such commission to be revised and re-issued at stated periods. That the justices should hold general sessions corresponding to the quarter sessions held in other cities, and that district sessions should be held for the purpose of determining all local questions which might arise in the district, an appeal from such district sessions to lie to the general sessions.

The constitution of the Metropolitan Board of Works, or, as it was proposed to name it, the Municipal Council, was to be altered as follows—Owners of property were to be represented by the justices of the metropolis selecting from amongst their number a proportion of the Members of the Board. This, it may be presumed, was conditional on owners of property being rated for part of the expense of permanent improvements, a course which had been recommended by the Select Committee in a previous report. In the event of Crown property being assessed for the rates levied by the Board, which the Committee thought just and reasonable, the Crown were to be at liberty to appoint two members of the Board. The remaining members were to be elected, one part by the Common Council of each district, and the others direct by the ratepayers, the number to represent each district being determined with reference to its area and population, and the number and rateable value of the houses and other property therein.

The Council, which was to elect its own President, subject to the approval of the Crown, was to exercise all the powers now possessed by the Metropolitan Board, and was also to be entrusted with a supervision over the supply of water and gas to the Metropolis, with the protection of the public interests in regard to railways and other undertakings affecting the inhabitants at large, and with such other functions as Parliament might from time to time appoint. The power conferred on local authorities in the Metropolis to improve existing thoroughfares, and to take property compulsorily for that purpose, was to be expressly extended to the Municipal Council. The Council was always to have power to make a uniform assessment throughout the Metropolis, and there was to be an appeal from such assessment to the General Sessions of the Justices of the Metropolis.

The Select Committee also suggested the expediency of allowing the amount of the yearly Main Drainage rate to be reduced, on the period for which it is to be levied being extended so long as might be requisite to discharge the Main Drainage debt and interest.

As above stated, it was propsed that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided, under the Local Management Act. Each district was to be divided into wards, and the members of the Common Council of the district were to be elected directly by the ratepayers in each ward. The Common Council, which was to elect annually a

Chairman and Deputy-Chairman, was to exercise all the functions now discharged by the Vestries and District Boards; their proceedings were to be public, and the accounts of each year were to be printed and delivered to each ratepayer, with a report of the year's administration.

In order to prevent repeated elections, all persons to be elected both for the Municipal Council and the Common Councils, as well as persons elected to other offices, were to be nominated and elected at the same time and in the same manner, the nomination to be made at a meeting of the inhabitants, either by ratepayers present or in writing, and the election afterwards to take place in the manner prescribed by the general order of the Poor Law Board of the 14th January, 1867.

The Committee were of opinion that there should be one Police force for the Metropolis, but that it should be a subject for further consideration under what control the Police should be placed; and they suggested that the area now under the charge of the Metropolitan Police might be diminished by placing those portions of their district outside the metropolitan area under the charge of the Police of the counties in which the same are situated,

The Committee recommended that the Municipal Council should take measures to free the thoroughfares and bridges within the Metropolis from tolls, gates, and bars; that the provisions of the Building Act should be amended so as to prevent the erection of dwellings injurious to health; that the accounts of the collection of the Coal and Wine Duties should be audited by the person appointed to audit the accounts of the Metropolitan Board of Works; that all local Acts, so far as might be necessary to carry out the principles embodied in their recommendations, should be repealed; and concluded by expressing their opinion that it was desirable that Her Majesty's Goverment should submit to Parliament a Bill to carry their recommendations into effect.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
J. O. HALL,
W. H. DALTON,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN RUNTZ,
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Board, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Poor Relief Bill be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the South Eastern Railway Bill, the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill, the Thames Navigation Bill, and the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (various powers) Bill, be approved.

It was **moved** by Mr. Newton, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tramways Bill introduced by Her Majesty's Government be approved, and that the Board do concur in the view expressed by the Committee to the effect that the Board should be constituted the local authority for exercising all the powers with regard to Tramways in the Metropolis.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the Report be approved, provided the City of London be excluded from the arrangement.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

41. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That it be referred to the Parliamentary Committee to consider and report to the Board as to the position in which the parishes affected by the Tramways Act of last Session will be placed in the event of the Government Tramways Bill passing.

42. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor called attention to the Return as to District Surveyors, ordered by the Board on Friday last, and **moved**—That the said Return do show the average gross amount of Fees received by each District Surveyor, and that Mr. Baker be requested to make a Return as to the expenses of his District Office.

The **motion** having been seconded, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

43. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 25th March, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are seven applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing of six of the applicants being found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

The premises of Mr. W. G. Harrison, 40, High-street, Hampstead, (No. 3 on the Agenda), not being fit, I recommend a refusal.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the application of Mr. W. G. Harrison, of No. 40, High-street, Hampstead, (14,916), for a license, be refused.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of three calendar months and six days days from the 25th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
CHELSEA	Purdom, Jas. E.	14,923	317, Fulham Road	10	Yard P. d.
HACKNEY	Greenwood, Jno.	14,915	5, Broadway, South Hackney	5	,, ,,
LAMBETH	Williams, J. R.	14,924	222, Kennington Park Road	10	Whse.P.d.
PADDINGTON	Stevenson, Wm. Law	14,925	165, Edgware Road	1	Shop btls.
WANDSWORTH	Leach Bros.	14,917	20, High Street, Putney	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Jones, Thos.	14,926	87, High Street, Putney	2 qts.	Shop btls.

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

44. BETHNAL GREEN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 466, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Beven—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

45. BETHNAL GREEN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Henry Jackson, referring to the Order made by the Board on the 9th April, 1869, (No. 41), on the application of Mr. Buckley (since deceased) with regard to the proposed line of frontages for four houses in Green-street, stating that the present owner was willing to comply with the conditions of such Order, and requesting permission to erect the houses in question in accordance with the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

46. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. H. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the construction of barge boards to the gables and dormer windows of a house in Victoria-road, Dulwich Wood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

47. CLERKENWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Jory and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch to the Mission House in Ashby-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Goddard, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front, to project thirteen inches, in front of his house situate at the corner of Tanner's-hill and Lewisham-road, Deptford, as shown upon the modified Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Fleming, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops at the houses Nos. 510, 514, and 516, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shops be kept to the line of frontage suggested by the Vestry, and determined by the Board on the 22nd of September, 1865, (No. 49); that the vacant space between the proposed shops and the existing footway be given up and added to the public footway previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the proposed shops do not exceed that of the adjacent shops already brought out, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Poplar—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Morris Myers, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows to two houses in Lefevre-road, Roman-road, Old Ford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Tolley, for the consent of the Board to the shop front of the house, No. 23, High-street, Bow, being brought forward as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

52. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr T. R. Dickins, for a modification of the Order of the Board of the 18th February last (No. 47), determining the line of frontage of shops to be erected on the forecourts of the houses Nos. 44 to 60, Old Kent-road, and stating that the shops could only be brought forward as the respective properties fall into the hands of the owner.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the previous Order of the Board, so far as it relates to the line of frontage of the proposed shops, be adhered to, but that the owner, instead of carrying out the whole of the works simultaneously, as directed by that Order, be allowed 12 months to complete proposed buildings, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work; and that the elevation of the proposed shops be submitted to the Superintending Architect for approval.

53. The Clerk presented a letter from Messrs. G. L. P. Eyre and Co., dated 15th March, 1870, calling attention to their complaints of the erection of premises at the corner of Love-lane, Fulham-road, and requesting to be informed what steps the Board propose taking in the matter, and stated that the Superintending Architect had prepared a Report upon the subject, which he would submit to the Board this day.

54. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 18th March, 1870, with a Memorial from the Vestry, stating that they had negotiated

for the purchase of the several interests in certain land, &c., situate on Campden-hill for the purpose of widening Plough-lane, and connecting Campden-hill with the Uxbridge-road, at a total cost of £8,500, and praying the Board to contribute towards such outlay.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

55. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. W. R. Malcom, Board of Trade, dated 21st March, 1870, with a draft scheme for the amalgamation of the Great Central Gas Consumers Company with the Gas Light and Coke Co mpany, and stating that the Board of Trade would consider any representations which this Board may desire to make on the subject.

Resolved—That the said letter and scheme be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. R. Wales, dated 18th March, 1870, with a Memorial from Freeholders and Leaseholders of Nos. 14 and 15, Buckingham-street, Strand, with regard to alleged loss of water rights through the formation of the Thames Embankment, North, and asking to be compensated for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said letter and memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

57. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. H. Milton, dated 21st March, 1870, with a Memorial from Occupiers and Leaseholders of houses in Park-road, Stoke Newington, objecting to the application of the name Clissold-road to that thoroughfare, as directed by the Order of the Board of the 11th February last, (No. 8), and requesting that the name "Glebe-road" may be substituted for the same.

Resolved—That the said letter and memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. W. Hope, dated 21st March, 1870, with six copies of the periodical entitled "Nature" containing a letter written by him with regard to the value, realisable by farmers, of the manure contained in liquid Sewage.

Resolved—That Mr. Hope be thanked for his communication.

59. The Clerk presented letters from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Rotherhithe Vestry, dated 22nd and 25th March, 1870, with reference to the re-instatement of the roadway in Plough-road, disturbed by the sewerage works of the Board carried out by Mr. J. Nicholson; and a letter from Mr. J. Nicholson, the Contractor, dated 24th March, 1870, stating that he had arranged with the Vestry for the re-instatement, by them, at his cost, of the roadway in question, and had paid the Vestry a sum of £50 on account of the expense; transmitting the receipt for such payment, and, in the event of his failing to pay the Vestry the balance, amounting to £120 16s., of such cost, on or before the 4th May next, authorising the Board to pay the Vestry the amount out of any moneys which may be due or become due from the Board to him.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Engineer, for report.

60. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Commons Preservation Society, 29, Parliament Street, S.W.,
22nd March, 1870.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by our Executive Committee to transmit, for the consideration of your Board, the enclosed resolution adopted at our meeting yesterday, respecting the proposed purchase of the rights of the Lord of the Manor of Hampstead over Hampstead Heath.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) EDWARD W. FITHIAN,
Secretary.

J. Pollard, Esq.

Copy of Resolution.

"It was moved by Professor Fawcett, M.P., seconded by Edward North Buxton, Esq., and "resolved—

"That, in the opinion of this Society, the purchase of the interest of the Lord of the Manor of "Hampstead in Hampstead Heath by the Metropolitan Board of Works is undesirable, looking to the "bearing of the proposed purchase on the preservation of other Metropolitan Commons."

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, and to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connexion with the previous references on the subject of Hampstead Heath.

61. Read a letter as follows—

St. Leonard's, Hastings, 23rd March, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—

After a service of 24 years, viz., 15 years with the Board, and nine years with the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, the indifferent health I have lately had, and the warning I have recently received, have led me to the conclusion that I can no longer, with justice to the Board, and to my own health, continue to occupy the position which I now hold as one of your Assistant Engineers.

I had hoped to have been enabled, before retiring from the service of the Board, to have completed the various engineering works now in progress in the district under my charge, the completion of which will occupy probably about nine months. The state of my health, however, precludes me from any longer indulging this hope.

My medical adviser assures me that it is only by carefully abstaining from all cause of excitement and anxiety, and leading a most quiet life that I can hope my life may be spared, even for a limited time. I have, therefore, respectfully to ask that the Board will exercise the power which they possess under the 213th section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and grant me a retiring allowance.

The Board will, I trust, pardon me for reminding them that the value of the Main Drainage Works executed under my direction, amounts to no less than Two Millions, and of the Thames Embankment Works, about £400,000, besides the expenditure on works in the district, amounting to about £12,000 per annum.

I cannot adequately convey what my feelings are, in being compelled to retire from the service of the Board, and to separate from my chief and my other colleagues with whom I have worked for so many years past. It will ever be a satisfaction to me to reflect that I have been connected with the great works carried out by the Board, and that the portion which has fallen to my share has been executed in a manner to bring, I trust, credit to the Board.

I am sure that I may, with confidence, refer you to the Engineer-in-Chief, Mr. Bazalgette, for the expression of his opinion as to the solid and substantial manner in which the works under my direction have been conducted and executed.

In conclusion, I beg to say, that I shall, at all times, be ready to give any information to the Board, or its officers respecting the works, or other matters of which I have had charge, should it be desired.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) EDMUND COOPER.

To the Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.
Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

62. Read a letter as follows—

1, Seymour-chambers, York-buildings, Adelphi, W.C.,
London, 22nd March, 1870.

SIR,—In answer to your letter of to-day, I beg to say that I do not intend to make any charge to the Board of Works for my report on steam road-rolling; and that I am also quite willing that you should print it for distribution to the Vestries and Districts; after you have allowed me to carefully go through the proofs.

At the same time I would remark that, if I were to add the statistics I have collected with much labour, showing that the Metropolis alone would save £140,000 per annum, the 3 per cent. interest on nearly six millions, in the maintenance merely of the roads, the document would have more weight with the Vestries.

I have also obtained some additional important information from Prussia quite lately.

Field-Marshal Sir John Burgoyne, who has much studied this subject, would also contribute.

I would, therefore, propose for your consideration whether you would not like to publish the improved edition, or such portions as you may deem necessary, instead of the copy now in your hands.

I am, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.

FREDK. AR. PAGET.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hows—That Mr. Paget be informed that the Board will be happy to assent to his proposition.

63. Read a Report as follows, presented to the Board on Friday last (No. 11)—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
March 17th, 1870.

On letter from Mr. Edward Wilson, on behalf of the Great Eastern Railway Company, submitting for approval a general design of bridge to carry their Railway over public roads, and also asking permission to lower Downs-road and Downs-park-road, Hackney.

On the 22nd September, 1865, (No. 9), the Board approved the decision of the Engineer, given during the recess of the Board, sanctioning, subject to modifications, certain designs for bridges to carry the Great Eastern Railway over several public roads, submitted for approval by Mr. Sinclair. With respect to two of those over the Downs-road and Downs-park-road, it was required that the headway under the bridge should be 17 feet. Mr. Wilson now states that to obtain so great a headway, it will be neccessary to lower the former road to the extent of 1 foot 9 inches, with gradients of approaches 1 in 38 on both sides, and the latter road to the extent of 2 feet, with gradients of approach 1 in 80 and 1 in 32 respectively.

It appears to me that to obtain the headway specified, it would be worth while to lower the roads as proposed, and this seems to be the only feasible way of obtaining the headway, the gradient of the rail being 1 in 100, but as the roads are under the special jurisdiction of the Local Board, I recommend that Mr. Wilson be informed that if he obtain the sanction of the District Board to such arrangement this Board will not object. The Company have power, under their Act, to lower Downs-park-road 1 foot 6 inches, and the gradients of altered roads are, by the same Act, to be not steeper than 1 in 30.

Mr. Wilson also submits for approval a different method of making the bridges water-tight and deadening sound from that submitted by Mr. Sinclair, substituting wrought-iron for wood. I recommend that this method be generally approved, subject to the condition that the sleepers be laid on a bed of sand, not less than 6 inches in thickness, extending over the entire surface of the bridge, and that the sleeper be well packed at the sides with the same material.

The approval given in 1865 referred to bridges to be constructed under the Company's Act of 1864, but the Company have in Parliament this Session a Bill to modify the line of railway for which some of the bridges were sanctioned, and I recommend that Mr. Wilson be informed that the sanction now given applies only to the bridges to be erected under the powers of the Company's Act of 1864, and should the present Bill be passed into law a fresh application must be submitted to meet the altered circumstances of the most recent enactment.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

The Clerk reported that the Board on Friday last had referred the foregoing Report to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to act in the matter, but that, in consequence of the pressure of other business, the Committee had been unable to deal with it on Monday last, and that, as the Board were required by the provisions of the Company's Act to express their approval or disapproval of the Plans within twenty-one days after receiving them, it became necessary to pass an Order to day with respect thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the general design of the bridge to carry the Great Eastern Railway over public roads, now submitted, be approved, subject to the condition that the sleepers be laid on a bed of sand, not less than 6 inches in thickness, extending over the entire surface of the bridge, and that the sleeper be well packed at the sides with the same material, and that Mr. Wilson be informed that if he obtains the sanction of the District Board to the lowering of Downs-road and Downs-park-road, Hackney, in the manner proposed, this Board will not object to the arrangement; and further, that the sanction now given by the Board, applies only to the bridges to be erected under the powers of the Company's Act of 1864, and that, should the Bill of the Company now before Parliament become law, a further application must be submitted to the Board to meet the altered circumstances of the more recent enactment.

64. Read a letter from Mr. S. J. Barth, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 24th March, 1870, with a copy of a letter sent to the District Board, enclosing a resolution of a joint Committee of the parishes of Hackney and Bow, requesting that the angle of the covered sewer in Wallis-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the letter, might be given up to the Parish with a view to improving the roadway.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

65. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. R. Bonny, for a modification of the conditions imposed by the Order of the Board of the 21st January, 1870, (No. 52), with respect to the erection of houses and offices in Camden-road and Brecknock-street, by permitting the erection of bay-windows to project beyond the line of frontage then determined, and allowing the portion of the ground outside such line, colored yellow on the Plan, to be retained and enclosed for areas to the houses instead of being added to the public way.

Resolved, *unanimously*,—That the application be granted.

66. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edwin Bull, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony at the house, No. 44, Wimpole-street, Cavendish-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

67. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of the Rev. G. McAll, for an extension of the time granted by the Board, on the 21st February, 1868, (No. 79), for the use of a temporary iron church erected in Mack's-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building in question be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

68. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. R. Perry, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 26th February, 1869, (No. 49), for the use of a temporary iron church erected in Hanley-road, Hornsey-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, and that the building in question be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

69. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of the Rev. Gordon Forlong, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 19th February, 1869, (No. 46), for the use of a temporary iron church erected in Talbot-road, Notting-hill.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building in question be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

70. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Kent, for permission to erect a temporary iron church at Burnt Ash-hill, Lee, on a different site to that approved by the Board on the 5th November, 1869, (No. 39), and as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

71. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four new roads, to lead into Hornsey-road and Hanley-road, and of the names "Montem," "Thorpdale," "Corbyn," and "Bracy-streets," for the same, and for the continuation of Evershot-road, Marriot-road, and Turle-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the application be granted.

72. Kensington.—Read Reports by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th January and 24th March, 1870, on the correspondence with Messrs. G. L. P. Eyre and Co. relative to the erection, by Mr. Spicer, of buildings in Love-lane, or Atwood's-lane, opposite Mr. Day's property at the corner of Love-lane and Brompton-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Doy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at the corner of Hardess-street and Hinton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

74. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs Clutton, on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new roads and a mews to lead from Newington-butts to Pleasant-place, Walworth, and of the names "Transit-street," "Oakwood-street," and "Yarnald-mews," for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Richardson and Waghorn, on behalf of Mr. Frederick Hailey, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Highgate-road to York-rise, and of the name "Woodsome-road" for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

76. Shoreditch.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. W. Brinsley, for the approval by the Board of the proposed lines of building frontage in Huntingdon-street, Cross-street, and Great Essex-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

77. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles H. Rew, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road on the south side of Grant-road and north of the Clapham Junction Station of the London and South Western Railway, Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

78. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. H. and J. Thomas, for the re-numbering of the houses in Earl-street.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

79. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Albert Bridgeman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road; and the frontage line of buildings on land adjoining Dartmouth-road and Bradmore-lane, Hammersmith, and of the name "Burfield"-street, for the proposed new road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

80. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Slater and Carpenter, for the consent of the Board to an alteration in the position and dimensions of a new porch to be erected at the house, No. 20, Arlington-street, Piccadilly, as shown upon the amended Drawing accompanying the application; the original design for which was approved by the Board on the 11th instant, (No. 37.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

81. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Blackmore, for the consent of the Board to the construction of verge boards to the dormer windows of two houses in Bolingbroke-road, Battersea-rise, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

82. Saint Giles, &c.—Read a communication from Mr. Charles Fowler, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. George,

Bloomsbury, dated 22nd March, 1870, notifying that certain alterations were about to be executed at the premises, No. 3, Endell-street, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Charles Fowler, Surveyor of the District of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, and St. George, Bloomsbury, did, on the 22nd day of March, 1870, give notice to this Board that he the said Charles Fowler was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations at the premises, No. 3, Endell-street, within the District aforesaid; and the said Charles Fowler has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Frederick William Porter, Surveyor of the District of Holborn and East Strand, be appointed by this Board, and the said Frederick William Porter is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

83. The following **notice** of **motion** was given for the meeting of the Board on Friday next—viz.:—

By Mr. Cook, (No. 518.) As to complaints of effluvia from ventilating shafts, &c., to Sewers in the Poplar District and as to the Engineer of the Board making a Return on the subject.

Adjourned until Friday the 1st April next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 13

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **1st** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 25th March last were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Board of Works and inhabitants of the Holborn District, introduced by Mr. Hall, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Messrs. Hanson, Southcott, Devereux, Hutchinson, Cottrell, Caulcutt, Emslie, Lloyd, Cottle, Smallbone, Cripps, and Johnson; and Mr. S. W. Hopwood, Clerk, and Mr. L. H. Isaacs, Surveyor to the Board, attended the Board, and presented a communication which was read as follows—

> At a Meeting of the Board of Works for the Holborn District, holden at the Offices of the Board, No. 20, High Holborn, on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1870,
> Mr. John Orde Hall in the Chair,
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> It was moved by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Mr. Cartwright, and
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> Resolved—That the formation of a line of road westward to Bloomsbury in continuation of Old-street, viâ Wilderness-row, is a public improvement which demands the immediate attention of the Metropolitan Board of Works; and that a Deputation from this Board be appointed to wait upon the Metropolitan Board to urge the necessity of carrying out this long deferred scheme for providing direct communication between the east, north-east, and west of the Metropolis without further delay.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates.

3. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following Deeds for sealing—

Conveyance by the Board to the New England Company of warehouses in Southwark-street.

Conveyance by the Board to Mr. F. G. Debenham of a warehouse in Southwark-street.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deeds respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

4. Read a communication as follows—

Parish of St. George, Hanover Square,
Board Room, Mount-street,
31st March, 1870.

Dear Sir,—Referring to your letter of the 15th instant, stating that it is the intention of the Metropolitan Board of Works to submit a statement of their views of the proposal to build on land reclaimed from the Thames by the Thames Embankment, to the Prime Minister, and suggesting that the views of the Vestry and other bodies concurring on the subject should be included therein, I beg to inform you that the same was considered at a meeting of representatives from the bodies who had joined in the Memorial, on the 24th instant, when the resolutions of which I send you a copy on the other side were unanimously adopted.

I submit herewith copy of the Letter, Memorial, and Statement to the Prime Minister as directed.

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) J. H. SMITH, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

24th March, 1870.

At a Meeting of Representatives from Bodies interested in Memorial against Building on Thames Embankment.

Resolved—

That Mr. W. H. Smith, M.P., be requested to put the following question to the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, viz.:—

Whether the Prime Minister has received a Memorial from numerous representative bodies of the metropolis against the building upon Crown land lately reclaimed from the Thames by the Thames Embankment at the expense of the Ratepayers of London, and, in the event of a reply in the affirmative, whether he will give the Memorialists an assurance that no arrangement shall be made for the appropriation of the site until the publication of the annual report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

That, in case the above question be not answered satisfactorily, Mr. Smith be requested to give notice of a motion—"That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty praying that she will be pleased to direct that no building be erected on land reclaimed by the Thames Embankment belonging to the Crown.

That copies of the Memorial, Statement, and Letter to the Prime Minister be forwarded to each of the M.P.'s for the metropolis and county, and to Mr. Fawcett and Mr. Buxton, and to the members of our respective bodies in either House of Parliament, requesting them to support the views advocated in the Memorial.

That a letter be written to the Metropolitan Board of Works, with a statement of the course decided on this day, and submitting a copy of the Memorial and Letter to the Prime Minister.

The copy letter, Memorial, and statement referred to were laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Colonel Hogg—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates.

5. Read a letter as follows—

Sewers' Office, Guildhall, March 29th, 1870.

Improvement—Nos. 49 and 50, Threadneedle Street.

Dear Sir—Your letter of the 23rd February last, on the above subject, has been laid before the Commissioners of Sewers, who referred the same to their Improvement Committee to consider.

The Committee having carefully considered the statement in your letter, viz., "With reference "to the Improvement in Threadneedle-street, that it appears to have been carried out by the Com- "missioners, previously to their making application to this Board for a contribution, and, under "these circumstances, the Board could not entertain the application without infringing their Standing

"Order of 6th December, 1867, a copy of which was sent to you on the 10th of the same "month, and by which they decided not to contribute in future to the cost of a local improvement, "where it had been effected before being submitted to them, a course which the Board do not feel "themselves justified in adopting."

Upon reference to the Resolution of the Metropolitan Board [of Works in question, the Committee observe that an exception is made in the case of improvements carried out before the passing of such Resolution, it being expressly stated therein—"But this regulation shall not apply to any "improvement already carried out."

I am directed by our Committee to submit very respectfully that the improvement was carried out by the Commissioners prior to the 7th December, 1867, when the above Resolution, was passed as the following brief account of their proceedings therein will show—

Negotiations for purchasing the premises commenced in September, 1864—

The Court ordered compulsory notices to be served to take the premises No. 49, in .. July, 1865, and the house No. 50, in .. October, 1865.

Proceedings were then taken by one of the occupiers in the Court of Chancery, to restrain this Court from taking the whole of this property, and great delay was thus caused.

The Freeholders were subsequently arranged with for the purchase-money of the Freeholds, which was paid in .. April, 1867.

The Commissioners subsequently agreed with the Lessees to purchase their interests for the sum of £3,000, the Lessees agreeing to take a building lease of the residue of the land at a ground rent of £500 a-year, viz., on December 3rd, 1867, and the £3,000 was paid in the same month.

It is unnecessary to say that the expenses in this case were very heavy. The sum named, £13,982, in my letter to you of the 11th December, 1869, as the net cost is entirely independent of any professional costs whatever.

The Commissioners, therefore, feel sure that, under these circumstances, the Metropolitan Board of Works will re-consider the question.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JOSEPH DAW, Principal Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 28th March, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn Cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Southern Embankment.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Binney—		
Court of Chancery—		
Interest on £5,800, Purchase Money of Copyholds in Fore Street	477 10 1	
less Tax	10 15 0	
		466 15 1
Binney, C. H.		
Interest on £5,000, Purchase Money of Leaseholds, &c.	327 7 11	
less Tax	7 10 2	
		319 17 9
		£786 12 10

Your Committee have ascertained that the following payments are required in connection with the acquisition of properties for the roadway from Plumstead to Crossness. The list has been examined and found correct, and your Committee recommend that cheques for the several sums be drawn as follows—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

	£	s.	d.
Re Dashwood—			
Dashwood, M.—Purchase Money of Freehold Land for Crossness Roadway	360	0	0
Young, Maples, Teesdale, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	7	0	0
Re Strother—			
Strother, Ann—Purchase Money of Freehold Land at Crossness ..	1,150	0	0
Re Cook—			
Cook, John—Purchase Money of Freehold Land at Crossness	339	0	0
	£1,856	0	0

In accordance with your resolution of the 4th instant, (No. 43), your Committee have considered the letter from the District Surveyors' Association, urging the Board to promote to any more remunerative Districts which may become vacant, those of the existing Surveyors who have given satisfaction to the Board and who may desire promotion. The Board have already in several cases, recognized this principle, and your Committee have only to recommend that an intimation of the fact be conveyed to the Association.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter, referred by the Board on Friday last (No. 61), from Mr. Cooper, Assistant Engineer, applying for a retiring allowance. Mr. Cooper refers to the indifferent health which he has lately had, and more especially to the serious attack of illness from which, as the Board are aware, he has recently been suffering, and he intimates that, from these circumstances and from the statements made to him by his medical adviser, he is led to the conclusion that he can no longer with justice to the Board and to his own health continue to occupy the position which he now holds as one of the Assistant Engineers. He, therefore, requests that the Board will exercise the power which they possess under the 213th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and grant him a retiring allowance. It may be convenient that your Committee, before stating the conclusion at which they have arrived with regard to this application, should draw attention to the position which Mr. Cooper has occupied from the time of his first connexion with the predecessors of your Honourable Board. Your Committee find that, so long ago as the year 1841, Mr. Cooper was employed as an Assistant Surveyor in the Surrey and Kent Commission, and was at that time paid by the Surveyor, Mr. I'Anson, in whose office he had received his professional training, and that, during that period, he had the entire charge of Mr. I'Anson's district. On the superseding of the Surrey and Kent Commission, and the consolidation of all the Metropolitan Commissions, by an Order of the Court of the 6th December, 1847, the services of Mr. Cooper, in conjunction with the other Clerks of Works, were continued by the Commissioners of Sewers, and he was paid a salary of £3 0s. 0d. per week. In 1851 a considerable reduction in the establishment took place owing to the want of funds necessary for the carrying out of contemplated works; the services of Mr. Cooper, however, were retained and he was appointed a Clerk of Works at an annual salary of £164. Subsequently, in the year 1852, he competed with several others for the appointment of Engineer to one of the Divisions, and was selected by the Commissioners for that office, at a salary of £250 per annum. On the 21st March, 1853, he was placed in the 2nd class at the same salary, which, on the 23rd May, 1854, was increased to £315, and in the following year to £330 per annum. On the 22nd February, 1856, after the formation of the Board, Mr. Cooper was appointed one of the Assistant Engineers at a salary of £350 per annum, with an allowance of £50 per annum for travelling expenses. In consequence of the increased duties and expenses of the Assistant Engineers, by reason of the Main Drainage Works, an additional allowance of £150 was, in the year 1859, made to them for travelling and incidental expenses, and in November, 1861, their salaries were increased to £500 per annum respectively, making, with the allowance for travelling expenses of £200 a year each, an annual sum of £700. Since that period, only one alteration has taken place in the salaries of the Assistant Engineers, namely on the 13th October, 1865, when, in consideration of increased duties which had been cast upon them, and other circumstances, their salaries were raised from £500 to £800 with the allowance of £200 per annum each for travelling and

incidental expenses, as up to that time. Having stated these particulars for the information of the Board, it now remains for your Committee to refer to the considerations which have guided them in determining the amount of retiring allowance which, in their opinion, the Board would be justified in granting to Mr. Cooper. But, before doing this, the Committee desire to state that they have ascertained from the Engineer that it will not be necessary to fill up the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Cooper's retirement, and that arrangements will be made for dividing his duties between the two other Assistant Engineers. It is hardly necessary to remind the Board of the magnitude and importance of the Engineering works which have been entrusted to them by the Legislature. The Committee would simply urge that they feel it impossible to overrate the responsibility which is attached to the supervision and direction of such works as the Main Drainage of the Metropolis and the Embankment of the river Thames. It affords them great satisfaction to be enabled to state that the Engineer has given his testimony to the sound, substantial, and enduring character of the portion of those works which has fallen to Mr. Cooper's share, and the value of which, irrespective of other works in various parts of his District, amounts to not less than two millions; also that the Engineer has spoken in the highest terms of Mr. Cooper's knowledge of his profession and of his valuable services on all occasions. Looking, then, to these facts and to the number of years over which Mr. Cooper's service has extended, and considering also the serious nature of the illness from which Mr. Cooper (who will attain the age of 52 on the 1st May next) is now, and has for the last two or three years, been suffering, your Committee feel that this is a case in which the Board may exercise the discretion vested in them under the Acts of Parliament and grant a liberal allowance. It may be well to draw attention to the provisions of Sec. 213 of the Metropolis Local Management Act, by which the Board are authorised to grant retiring allowances of such amounts and upon such terms as they may deem just, to any officers who have been employed under the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers and continued by the Board; also to the Superannuation Act of 1866, by which Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis are empowered to grant superannuation allowances to their officers, whether they be paid weekly or otherwise, and during the passing of which Act words were inserted conferring similar powers upon the Board. The latter Act contains, also, a provision that when any person possessing professional or other peculiar qualifications shall have been appointed to any Vestry or Board, beyond the age of 30 years, such Vestry or Board may, in computing the superannuation allowance, add any number of years, not exceeding ten, to the number of years during which such officer may have actually served. Your Committee, after careful deliberation, are of opinion that, under all the circumstances, the sum of £400 would be a fair and proper amount to award to Mr. Cooper, and they beg to submit the following recommendation—

> That the services of Mr. Cooper be dispensed with, and that a retiring allowance of £400 per annum be granted to him for life.

Your Committee have also considered the letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, requesting the Board to set back the wall over the Ranelagh Sewer at Westbourne-place, Sloane-square, to the red line shown upon the Plan accompanying their letter, and suggesting that the site would be suitable for a Fire Engine Station, referred by the Board on the 18th instant (No. 57). Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer, and they see no objection to the wall being set back as proposed, provided the work be carried out by, and at the expense of the Vestry and to the satisfaction of the Board. Your Committee recommend that the Vestry be informed to this effect; and, with regard to their suggestion as to the suitability of the site for a Fire Engine Station, that the Board have already made sufficient provision for the protection of the district.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them an application from Messrs. Corbett and M'Clymont for permission to build over a portion of the Counter's Creek Sewer, passing through their Redclyffe Estate, at West Brompton. This application is similar to the one which the Board, on the 6th of March, 1868, (No. 6), declined to grant; your Committee having reported that, upon a careful consideration of the matter, they were of opinion that it was not expedient to comply with the request. On a further examination, however, into the facts of the present application, it appears that no compensation for

easement in respect of the sewer was ever paid to Messrs. Corbett and M'Clymont; and they have written to say that, if their request be granted, they will consent to waive all claim for such easement. Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer, and have ascertained that, apart from the general principle which guided their former recommendation, there is no objection to the erection of the houses over the site of the sewer; and, having regard to the question of easement and to all the facts of the case, your Committee think it desirable that the present request should be complied with. They, therefore, beg to recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that all the rights of the Board be reserved and that all the necessary works and arrangements be carried out, in every respect, under the direction and to the satisfaction of their Officers, and at the sole cost of the applicants, and also that a clause be inserted in the Agreement to be entered into by the parties, providing that no claim shall be made hereafter in respect of easement.

Your Committee have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 18th instant (No. 6), referring to them the applications from candidates for the appointment of Surveyor in the Architect's Department, with instructions to examine the several candidates and their testimonials, and submit to the Board the names of not more than ten nor less than six with a view to the selection by the Board of one for the appointment. The total number of applicants, it will be remembered, was 55, and of these your Committee, after a careful review of the testimonials and statements of qualifications, selected 22, whom they requested to attend to afford an opportunity of closer investigation into their fitness for the post. The candidates in question accordingly attended your Committee, and were carefully examined as to their attainments and general ability to discharge the duties required. In the result, your Committee have selected 8, who, from the replies to the questions put to them and from their testimonials, appeared to be properly qualified for the appointment. The following are the names of the candidates in question—

Mr. Thomas Arnold.
„ John B. Badock.
„ Joseph James.
„ John Thomas Lepard.
„ Charles H. F. Lewes.
„ Thomas Raiman.
„ Lacy W. Ridge.
„ Frederick Tyerman.

Your Committee beg to recommend the Board to select one of the above-mentioned candidates to fill the vacant appointment.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN SAVAGE,
C. H. ELT,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the following Cheques be now drawn, viz.—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

	£	s.	d.
Re Dashwood—			
Dashwood, M.—Purchase Money of Freehold Land for Crossness Roadway	360	0	0
Young, Maples, Teesdale, and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance.. ..	7	0	0
Re Strother—			
Strother, Ann—Purchase Money of Freehold Land at Crossness ..	1,150	0	0
Re Cook—			
Cook, John—Purchase Money of Freehold Land at Crossness ..	339	0	0
	£1,856	0	0

And cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the District Surveyors' Association be informed, in reply to their letter urging the Board to promote to more remunerative Districts which may become vacant, those of the existing District Surveyors who have given satisfaction to the Board, and who may desire promotion, that the Board have already, in several cases, recognised that principle.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Runtz—That the services of Mr. Cooper, Assistant Engineer, be dispensed with, and that a retiring allowance of £400 per annum be granted to him for life.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Healey, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the amount of the retiring allowance be £300 per annum.

The **amendment** having been been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—6.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Healey.

Against the Amendment—33.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dodd, H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.,
Freeman, R., Esq.	Deputy.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Collinson.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Brooker, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the amount be £350 per annum.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Nicholay—That the further consideration of the subject be deferred until a medical certificate as to Mr Cooper's state of health shall have been laid before the Board.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved**—That, in consequence of Mr. Edmund Cooper, Assistant Engineer, having become incapable of discharging the duties of his office with efficiency, by reason of permanent infirmity of body, his services be dispensed with, and that a retiring allowance of £400 per annum be granted to him for life.

Resolved—That a medical certificate as to Mr. Cooper's state of health be laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do consent to the setting back of the wall over the Ranelagh Sewer at Grosvenor Bridge, as suggested by the Vestry of Chelsea, on condition that the work be carried out by and at the expense of the Vestry and

to the satisfaction of the Board, and that the Vestry be informed, with regard to their suggestion that the site would be a suitable one for a Fire Engine Station, that the Board have already made sufficient provision for the protection of the District.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Saunders—That the application of Messrs. Corbett and McClymont, for permission to build over a portion of the Counter's Creek Sewer, between Redcliffe-square and Wharfdale-street, West Brompton, be granted, on condition that all the rights of the Board be reserved, and that all the necessary works and arrangements be carried out, in every respect, under the direction and to the satisfaction of their Officers and at the sole cost of the applicants, and also that a clause be inserted in the Agreement to be prepared by the Solicitor of the Board, and to be entered into by the parties, providing that no claim shall be made hereafter in respect of easement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That so much of the Report of the Committee as relates to the appointment of a Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department be approved, and that the election be now proceeded with.

The Candidates having been called and having severally answered to their names,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor —That the names of the several Candidates be put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the name of the Candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

The Board then proceeded to the election by a show of hands taken successively for each of the Candidates; the name of the Candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting, as follows—

	1st Show of Hands	2nd Show of Hands	3rd Show of Hands	4th Show of Hands	5th Show of Hands	6th Show of Hands	7th Show of Hands
Arnold, Thomas	7	11	6	—	—	—	—
Badock, John B.	None	—	—	—	—	—	—
James, Joseph	20	20	19	16	—	—	—
Lepard, John T.	28	31	28	26	31	29	30
Lewes, Charles H. F. ..	25	22	22	20	18	17	—
Raiman, Thomas	7	8	—	—	—	—	—
Ridge, Lacy W...	27	23	22	22	26	21	7
Tyerman, Frederick	21	21	18	21	17	—	—

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. John T. Lepard be appointed during the pleasure of the Board, as Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department, at a commencing salary of £250 per annum, with a yearly increase of £10 until the amount shall reach £300.

Mr. Lepard was then called and informed by the Chairman of the foregoing resolution.

7. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the following motion by Mr. Cook, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until Friday next, viz.—

> "To call the attention of the Board to the frequent complaints of the omission of effluvia from "the ventilating shafts and other openings in the Main Sewers in the Poplar District, and to the "Engineer's Reports upon the communications on the subject from the Poplar District Board of "Works; and to move that the Engineer do present a Return of the depth of Sewage in the well "from which it is pumped at Abbey Mills, at 6.0 a.m., 12 noon, 6.0 p.m., 12.0 midnight (if the "Returns kept will enable it to be supplied, or, if not, at such hours as the depth may have been "observed) each day during the last six months of the year 1869, and also, that he do furnish the "difference between the level of such well and the bottom of the Low Level Sewer at the points of "junction of the Isle of Dogs Branch and the Hackney Brook Branch Sewers with it."

8. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 29th March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 18th instant, they have re-considered the case of Stephen Martin, First-Class Fireman, whose state of health is such as to render him unfit for the duty of a fireman. On the above date your Committee reported on the case, and recommended that, in consideration of Martin's service of over 30 years, he should be allowed to retire on a pension of 15s. 9d. per week, being half his present pay. A question having arisen, however, as to the power of the Board to grant Martin a pension under the provisions of their general Superannuations Act, inasmuch as he had only been in the service of the Board since 1866, the subject was referred back to your Committee for re-consideration. Your Committee have since received a Report from the Solicitor on the subject, in which he states his opinion that the Superannuations Act was intended to apply to the cases of all officers in the employ of the Board, with the exception of those to which it obviously could not apply, such as are those of the firemen who formerly belonged to the old London Fire Engine Establishment. The Solicitor advises that these men should be dealt with under the provisions of the 8th section of the Fire Brigade Act, which empowers the Board to grant such pensions or allowances to men of the Brigade, in case of retirement, as the Board may think expedient; but that, at the same time, they should observe the scale laid down in the Superannuations Act whenever possible. The Solicitor has thus endorsed the view taken by your Committee in the first instance, viz., that the pension should be granted under the powers of the Fire Brigade Act, but that, in fixing the amount, the Board should observe the scale prescribed in the Superannuations Act, which is at the rate of one sixtieth of his pay for each year of service. Martin, having served upwards of thirty years, would thus be entitled to one-half of his present pay. He is now in receipt of 4s. 6d. a-day, or 31s. 6d. a-week, and one-half of this would be 15s. 9d. Your Committee accordingly renew their recommendation that Stephen Martin be permitted to retire from the service, and that a pension of 15s. 9d. a-week be granted to him.

Your Committee have further to report that Third-Class Firemen Thomas Lewin and James Trebett, and Fourth-Class Firemen George Watts and Alfred Steel, have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted.

Your Committee have further to recommend the appointment of Robert Bower and J. Brown in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, to fill vacancies.

The Solicitor reported to the Board at their last meeting the circumstances connected with the robbery by James Walker, a Fireman of the Fourth-Class, of the money intended for the payment of the week's wages to the Firemen at the Portland-road Station, amounting to £12 9s. Of this sum £7 9s. was found on him, and the remainder, less a small sum due to him in the hands of the Board, will be claimed from his surety. Walker was tried last Monday at the Middlesex Sessions, convicted, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment. Your Committee now recommend that he be dismissed from the service.

Your Committee have further to report that Mr. G. Fogo, one of the superannuated officers of the late London Fire Engine Establishment, died on the 17th instant, and that a pension of £120 a-year thereby lapses.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, subject to the usual inquiries, accepted the tender of Messrs. Aitcheson and Walker, for the erection of the proposed station in Evelyn-street, Deptford, for the sum of £1,645; and the tender of Messrs. Parson and Telling for the re-construction, &c., of the Paddington Station for the sum of £1,072.

Your Committee have also to report that they have at length succeeded in their negotiations for a site at Blackheath on which to erect a Station, the Earl of Dartmouth's agents having arranged for his Lordship to grant a lease to the Board for 99 years of a piece of ground adjacent to Tranquil Vale, at a rent of £15 a year.

They have also arranged for a lease from Mr. Enkel of a piece of ground at Holloway, on which to erect a Station, at a rent of £25 a year.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Saunders, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the services of First-Class Fireman Stephen Martin, whose state of health renders him unfit for further duty, be dispensed with, and that, in consideration of the length of his services, extending over a period of thirty years, a pension of 15s. 9d. per week, being half of his present pay, be granted to him.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the matter be referred back to the Committee for re-consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—15.		Against the Amendment—15.	
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Brooker, J. Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq.,	Savage, J., Esq.	Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Alderman.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.,	Freeman, R., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Deputy.		
Teller—Mr. Newton.		Teller—Mr. Saunders.	

And there not being a majority of the Members present, voting for or against the **amendment**, the Board came to no resolution thereon.

After further discussion the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and it was **resolved** on the **motion** of Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of Third-Class Firemen Thomas Lewin and James Trebett, and Fourth-Class Firemen George Watts and Alfred Steel, be accepted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That Robert Bower and John Brown be appointed in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That Fourth-Class Fireman James Walker, lately convicted of stealing money belonging to the Board, be dismissed from the Brigade.

9. Mr. Roche brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD.

Spring Gardens, 31st March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 25th instant, (No. 40), referring to them for consideration the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill. Your Committee have in the first instance considered the question of the future government of the Metropolis in its general aspects, and, as the result of their deliberations, they have to report their opinion that it is desirable that there should be one central municipal government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the Districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of local government. Your Committee deem it desirable, before entering upon the consideration of

details, that the Board should pronounce an opinion upon the proposition now submitted to them; and, in the event of the principle therein enunciated being affirmed by the Board, your Committee recommend that the subject be referred back to them for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon. In order to afford time for a consideration of the recommendations now submitted, previously to their being discussed, your Committee would suggest that they be considered by the Board at their meeting on the 8th April.

In the meantime, as it is, in the opinion of your Committee, desirable that the members of the various local Boards should be acquainted with the nature of the proposals now before Parliament, in order that they may, should they so desire, express their views on the subject, your Committee recommend that a sufficient number of copies of the analysis of the three Bills, &c., be sent to the Corporation of the City of London, and to the Vestries and District Boards, for each member to be supplied with a copy.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER,
CHAS. M. ROCHE.

The Report having been read,.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the Report be received, that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and that it be considered at the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, the 8th instant, at one o'clock p.m.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That a sufficient number of copies of the analysis of the three Municipal Bills, &c., be sent to the Corporation of the City of London, and to the Vestries and District Boards, for each Member thereof to be supplied with a copy.

10. Mr. Westerton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 23rd March, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they are proceeding on your resolution of the 18th ultimo, directing that the necessary works of planting and laying out the surplus land of the Thames Embankment, North, be carried out. Mr. McKenzie has reported to your Committee that alterations have become necessary in the Plan approved by the Board on the above date, through the construction of the Charing Cross Station of the Metropolitan District Railway, and he has prepared and laid before your Committee an amended plan showing the manner in which it is proposed to obviate the difficulties presented by the works of the Railway. Your Committee have carefully considered this plan, in which the character of the original has been retained as far as possible, and they beg to submit it with this Report, and to recommend that it be approved.

Your Committee have also to report that they have accepted a tender by Mr. C. N. Foster, for supplying a 2-inch supply-pipe from the Refreshment Room in Finsbury Park to the Lake, for the sum of £11 10s., and they request the sanction of the Board to the course they have taken.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Plan referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the Plan now submitted, for laying out and planting the Thames Embankment, North, shewing the alterations rendered necessary by the construction of the Charing Cross Station of the Metropolitan District Railway, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That so much of the Report as relates to the acceptance of the Tender of Mr. Foster, for supplying a 2-inch supply-pipe from the Refreshment Room in Finsbury-park to the Lake for a sum of £11 10s., be approved.

11. Mr. Runtz, in the absence of Mr. Newton, the Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 1st April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, notwithstanding the opposition offered by the Board, the Bill of the Metropolitan Railway Company for the abandonment of a portion of the Tower Hill Extension has been passed by the Select Committee of the House of Commons, with this reservation, however, that the Company should carry their line as far as Aldgate. The time for completing the line is not extended.

The Committee also passed the preamble of the Metropolitan District Railway Bill, for extending the Company's line to the Mansion House. They attached thereto the following conditions: That the fenced openings should be made to the satisfaction of some local authority, and that the fences should not be so high as to obstruct the light to the houses. That the company must satisfy the Board of Trade that they have raised the money required for the extension before they, in any way, commence the works, unless they do so with the consent of this Board. The Committee fixed the 1st July, 1871, as the time for completing the undertaking.

Your Committee have considered the question as to the course to be adopted by the Board in consequence of this decision of the Committee of the House of Commons, and they are of opinion that the Board should co-operate with the Corporation of the City of London in offering the strongest opposition to both the Bills in their other stages, and that the Solicitor should be instructed to present petitions against them to the House of Lords, and to take any other measures necessary for giving effect to the Board's opposition.

Your Committee have also to report that the amendments in the Tramways Bill framed to carry out the views of the Board, as expressed in the resolution passed by them on Friday last, have been presented to the Select Committee on the Bill, but that the Committee have not yet pronounced upon them.

Your Committee have further to report that the House of Commons Referees have admitted the *locus standi* of the Board on the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill, which was disputed by the Company, and, as it is important that the Board should be heard by the Committee on the Bill, your Committee have authorized the Solicitor to instruct two Counsel, and to retain such witnesses as may be necessary, to prevent any interference with the legislation of 1868.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That so much of the Report as relates to the Metropolitan Railway Bill and the Metropolitan District Railway Bill be approved, and that the Board do co-operate with the Corporation of the City of London in offering the strongest opposition to both the Bills in their other stages, and that the Solicitor be instructed to present petitions against them to the House of Lords, and to take any other measures necessary for giving effect to the Board's opposition.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the words, "and that the Board do co-operate with the Corporation of the City of London in offering the strongest opposition to both the Bills in their other stages," be omitted from the motion, and that the Solicitor be instructed to present Petitions to the House of Lords against the Bills in question, and to take any other measures necessary for giving effect to the Board's opposition.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved**—That the Board do oppose the Metropolitan Railway Bill and the Metropolitan District Railway Bill in the House of Lords, and that the Solicitor be instructed to present Petitions to the House of Lords, and to take any other measures which may be necessary for giving effect to the Board's opposition.

It was **moved** by Mr. Alderman Gibbons, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That, previously to the presentation of the petition to the House of Lords, the Superintending Architect do prepare and place in Queen Victoria Street a model of the erection which the Metropolitan District Railway Company propose to place in the street, with a view of acquainting the public with the nature of the scheme proposed by the Company.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tramways Bill and the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill be approved.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, on the undermentioned work proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
		WANDSWORTH.		
Intended new road, Lavender-sweep, Battersea ..	1,188	15 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
		ISLINGTON.		
Clarence-lane, Essex-road..	240	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

13. The Engineer presented the following Report—

Engineer's Department, Spring Garden, S.W., 1st April, 1870.

Monthly Report of the Progress of the Thames Embankment, Low Level Sewer, North, &c., Works.

North Side of the River.

Thames Embankment (Contract No. 3.), between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge. The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 707 feet, and the remaining length of about 215 feet is constructed to an average height of 7 feet above Trinity High-water mark. The length of the subway completed is 850 feet, and of the sewer 794 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage works on the foreshore of the river are all complete. Considerable progress has been made with the intended Subway from the river to the City Gas Company's Works. The four old houses in Chatham-place have been pulled down, and the materials are cleared away for the formation of the approach to the Embankment from Bridge-street. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. A. Boag and C. Jannings, at a total weekly cost of £5 19s.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer between the terminal point of this Contract and the commencement of the part now being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company, in connection with their works from St. Andrew's-hill, a length of 475 feet has been constructed. Between these two points 620 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″) and 39 coal-vaults have also been constructed. The excavations for the penstock-chamber to be formed near the bridge are completed, and the brickwork is commenced. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. H. Bennett, at a weekly cost of £4 4s.

The approximate cost of the whole of the foregoing Works executed by Mr. Webster is £84,430; of which £430 are due to the progress made in the past month.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway are actively progressing at various points along the line of the Embankment, Queen Victoria Street, &c. With the exception of a length of about 120 feet, the whole of the side walls are constructed between the Westminster Station and Blackfriars Bridge, a distance of about 6,600 feet. Upon these side walls 3,490 feet of the upper arches are turned, and a further length of 2,070 feet has the girders fixed and the arching in progress. At the Charing Cross Station but little has been done to the booking-offices since my last report; the platforms are, however, nearly complete, and some slight progress has been made with the ribbed portion of the roof. At the Norfolk Street Station the iron columns and girders are being fixed. Between Blackfriars Bridge and New Earl Street about 1,130 feet of the side-walls and arching are complete, and a further length of 1,030 feet is in progress. The portion of the Blackfriars Station situate under the Chatham and Dover Railway arch is brought to the level of the surface of the ground. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, is employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple; from the latter point, eastward, they are under the charge of the Clerks of Works superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract,

and the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., which is being constructed in connection with the Railway. A fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will, therefore, be borne by the Company.

Low Level Sewer, &c., between St. Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street. The total length of the Low Level Sewer constructed by the Company under their agreement with the Board is 1,418 feet, and of the Subway 254 feet. Eighty-two feet of the smaller sewer and 16 vaults have also been constructed. The total value of these several completed works is £12,000; of which £1,000 represents the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the sewerage works at the Hermitage Lock, Wapping), K. Earnshaw and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £7 14s.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill. The total length of Sewer, varying from 8′ 9″ to 8′ 6″ in diameter, constructed by Mr. Webster under this Contract is 4,320 feet; the approximate cost of which is £51,000; £1,000 representing the value of the work executed in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. I. Douglas, W. Jeffery, and H. Spencer, at a total weekly cost of £10 10s. 0d.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico. The completed lengths of this section of the Low Level line are 6,260 feet of 7′ 9″; 1,290 feet of 6′ 9″ and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ brick sewer; the estimated cost of which, with the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £49,000; of which £4,000 represent the progress made by the Contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams, in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (for three-fourths of his time), J. Wright, J. White, R. Tuck, and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £14 7s. 0d.

Whitechapel Improvement. The Contract lengths of the Subway, 1,140 feet, and of the Sewer, 1,206 feet, are complete. Ninety-seven coal vaults, 29 side-passages, and one side-entrance, are also complete, and 16 vaults are in progress. The concrete bed for the stone-pitching of the carriage-way is fast progressing, a length of 770 feet having been formed, upon 670 feet of which the granite has been laid; the kerb is also laid for a length of 1,200 feet. The approximate cost of the whole of the work completed by Messrs. Marshall and Maxwell under this Contract is £10,200, of which £2,650 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s. 0d.

Wapping Sewers.—Under Mr. Webster's Contract for the interception of the drainage of the western portion of Wapping, by means of a sewer carried along High-street and under the Hermitage entrance to the London Docks to a branch of the Nightingale-lane Sewer connected with the Low Level Line, about 50 feet of 4′ 0″ barrel, and 820 feet 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewers have been constructed at an estimated cost of £2,800. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time) and J. Paget, at a total weekly cost of £5 5s.

South Side of the River.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The lengths of sewer completed by Mr. Nicholson under this Contract are 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″, and 1,670 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of cast-iron pipe, 4′ 0″ in diameter, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. A further length of about 200 feet of brick sewer is in progress, and about 1,360 feet of stoneware pipes have been laid for drain connections, &c. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £12,190; of which £640 represent the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this and the following contract is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 18s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver, the Contractors, have completed a total length of 2,930 feet of brick sewers, varying in size from 5′ 0″ × 3′ 4″ to 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, and have a further length of about 850 feet in progress. About 4,500 feet of stoneware-pipe connections have also been laid. The total estimated value of the completed works is £6,897; of which £2,520 are due to the past month's progress. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistants are Messrs. W. Morton and B. Butcher, and their weekly wages amount to £8 1s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. J. E. Hopkins, calling attention to alleged damage to his six houses, Nos. 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, and 206, Beresford-street, Walworth, in the execution of the Low Level Sewer Works; stating that the works referred to were completed some few years since, and that Mr. Hopkins had from time to time been in communication with the Contractor, Mr. Webster, relative to the

alleged damage, but having failed to obtain a settlement, he now applied to the Board; that the matter rested entirely with Mr. Webster, whose attention had again been directed to it, and recommending that Mr. Hopkins be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Hopkins be informed accordingly.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, on a letter from Mr. F. Edwards, calling attention to the offensive smells which pervaded the houses Nos. 9 and 10, Albert-street, Deptford, and which were attributed by the tenants to an alleged defect in the brick-work of the side entrance to the sewer in the front; stating that the side entrance referred to had been examined and found to be in a good, sound condition, and that it appeared hardly possible that the effluvia could escape through it and the ground under the houses, and so through the flooring, as alleged, and recommending that Mr. Edwards be so informed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Mr. Edwards.

16. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 31st March, 1870.

On letter from the Welsh Granite Company, requesting a trial of their carriage-way pitching in one of the Board's new streets.

This granite pitching has been very extensively and successfully used in Manchester and the towns adjacent, and Mr. Haywood, the City Engineer, also reports favourably of it from a trial made in Duke-street, Smithfield. Professor Tennant, in his Report upon the sample submitted to him, expresses the belief that it is "in every respect equal to the best Aberdeen Granite;" and as, from the prices quoted, it appears to be, according to the size of stone selected, from 3s. to 9s. 6d. per ton cheaper than the latter, I beg to recommend that a trial of it be made upon a length of fifty yards of the carriage-way of the new street between St. Andrew's-hill and New Earl-street.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, recommending that, for the protection of the public, cast-iron standards and rails, similar to those erected for the same purpose upon the Southern Embankment, near Westminster Bridge, should be erected at the new York Gate steps, at an estimated cost not exceeding £30.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do submit to the Committee a drawing of the proposed rails and standards.

18. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 31st March, 1870.

Manchester Road Sewer and the Great Sluice, Poplar.

I have to call the attention of the Board to the fact that large quantities of refuse, oakum, &c., are discharged from the Manchester-road local sewer into their Main Great Sluice. This refuse, it is believed, comes from the ship-building yards in the Manchester-road, and it accumulates so quickly, and in such a compact manner, upon the grating which has been placed in the Great Sluice (at its junction with the Low Level Sewer), for the purpose of preventing hard substances from passing into the iron pipes under the foreshore, as to dam back the water in the sluice to an extent which greatly diminishes the waterway and thus increases the risk of flooding; indeed, on most occasions when the men go into the sewer to remove the refuse, they have to be clothe dto the neck in special waterproof dresses.

As the sewer in the Manchester-road is under the control of the Poplar District Board, I recommend that their attention be at once directed to this matter, and that they be informed unless prompt measures are adopted by them to prevent the refuse from being discharged into that sewer, this Board will be compelled, though reluctantly, to execute such works at its outlet as shall prevent the refuse from entering the Great Sluice, it being of the greatest consequence that the flow in this important line of communication with the most intricate portion of the Low Level system should be as unimpeded as possible.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Poplar District Board accordingly.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, on a letter from the Chartered Gas Company, requesting permission to lay a 48-inch main in the Subway under the new street in Whitechapel, stating that there was no objection to granting the application on the following conditions, namely, that before commencing the works, plans, sections, and details of the same be submitted for the Board's approval; that upon their completion, and before the main is charged with gas, the Company should give due notice thereof to the Board, in order that they may ascertain that the works have been properly carried out, and that any portions of the Subway which may have been disturbed or injured in their execution have been properly made good; and that the cost of such reinstatement and the requisite supervision be borne by the Company.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that permission be granted to the Chartered Gas Company to lay a 48-inch main in the subway under the new street in Whitechapel, on condition that before commencing the works, plans, sections, and details of the same be submitted by the Company for the approval of the Board; that upon the completion of the works and before the main is charged with gas, the Company do give due notice thereof to the Board, in order that they may ascertain that the works have been properly carried out, and that any portions of the subway which may have been disturbed or injured in their execution have been properly made good; and that the cost of such reinstatement and the requisite supervision be borne by the Company.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 31st March, 1870, on an application by the Vestry of Clerkenwell, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfare for the period and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
29 March, 1870.	King-street.	Paving.	2 weeks.	2 weeks.	Perceval and Compton Streets.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Vestry of Clerkenwell, for the purpose of executing paving works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

21. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 9), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Stamford Road, &c.	Hackney.
Albert Road, &c.	Lewisham.
Park Road, &c.	Do.
Woodbine Grove, &c.	Do.
Hawthorn Grove, &c.	Do.
Laurel Grove, &c.	Do.
Jasmine Grove, &c.	Do.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

22. The Solicitor reported that he had received from the Solicitor to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works, &c., the consent of the Crown to the appropriation by the Board of so much of the land required for the purposes of the Park Lane Improvement, as is under the control of the Office of Public Works.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references.

23. The Solicitor reported that he had received from the Inclosure Commissioners a copy of the proposed Scheme and Plans prepared by them for dealing with Blackheath under the provisions of the Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866.

24. The Solicitor also reported that, with respect to the South Eastern Railway Bill, the Standing Orders Committee had reported to the House of Lords, on Friday last, that the Standing Orders had not been complied with in respect of the petition for additional provisions and that the Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

25. The Solicitor also reported with respect to the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill that the following notice of motion had been given by Mr. Knight, M.P., viz.—That, on the second reading of the Bill, he would move that it be read a second time upon that day six months, and that the Bill stood for second reading on the 11th instant.

26. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Bourke, M.P., had brought in a Bill on Monday last, to remove doubts as to the construction of a portion of Section 16 of the Act of 17 and 18, Victoria, Chapter 83, relating to Stamp duties upon Deeds, that it had been read a first time, but that he had not yet been able to obtain a copy of the Bill.

27. The Solicitor also reported that the Committee on the Stamp Duty on Leases (Government) Bill stood deferred until the 2nd May next.

28. The Solicitor also reported, that the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways Bill was now unopposed, and had been referred to the Chairman of Ways and Means, that Mr. Fordyce and Mr. Rickards were the Referees, and that they had made their report on the Bill to the House of Commons, last evening.

29. The Solicitor also reported that the second reading of the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment Bill was deferred until the 8th instant.

30. The Solicitor reported, with respect to the County of London Bill, that the Standing Orders Committee, had, on Friday last, brought up the following special Report—"That in the case "of the County of London Bill, the Bill ought to be referred back to the Examiners "of Petitions for Private Bills, to report whether the notices published in respect of the "Corporation of London Bill specify the whole of the objects intended by the County of "London Bill,"—that an order had been made accordingly, and that on Wednesday last the Examiner had reported that the notices published in respect of the Corporation of London Bill specified the whole of the objects intended by the County of London Bill, and that such Report had been laid upon the table and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the Tramways (Government) Bill had sat several days and would continue their sittings on Monday next.

32. The Solicitor, pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 18th March last, (No. 42) reported, with respect to the paving of Collins-street, Garden-row, and Clyde-terrace, Lewisham, that he had had a conference with the Clerk of the District Board, and had referred to the advice of Counsel in a similar case, and to some decisions affecting it, and he suggested that the Board would probably refer the matter to the Building Act Committee, with instructions to carry out any resolutions at which they might arrive with regard thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the question be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

Resolved—That Mr. Brooker be invited to attend the Committee when the matter shall be considered.

33. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the meeting of the Board on Friday next to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before Friday next.

34. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had not yet given his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

35. The Solicitor reported that the Gas and Water Facilities Bill was not yet printed, and that it stood for second reading on the 7th instant; that the Railways Powers and Construction Bill was not yet printed, and that it stood for second reading on the 7th instant.

36. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the Thames Navigation Bill would meet this day to choose a Chairman, and to consider their course of proceeding, and he presented a printed copy of the Report of the Board of Trade on the Bill.

37. The Solicitor also reported that Lord Elcho's motion on the subject of the control over the execution of public works, and the erection of public buildings in the Metropolis, had not yet been considered by the House of Commons.

38. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary now to draw a cheque for £25 in settlement of the claim of Mr. Vokins for damage to his barge "Manchester," at Deptford Creek, according to the arrangement made by the Works and General Purposes Committee.

Resolved—That a cheque for the said sum be now drawn; and a cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

39. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following documents for sealing, viz.—

Agreement with Mr. Edward Morris, for a lease of the building plots Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive in Burdett-road.

Agreement, in duplicate, with Messrs. Manley and Rogers, for the erection by them of houses in Egbert Place, &c., Regent's-park, and the maintenance of the fence wall and railing in front thereof.

Agreement, and counterpart, with the Commissioners of Woods, &c., with reference to the land required for an approach from Whitehall-place to the Thames Embankment.

Notices to Mr. Charles Richard Binney and others for obtaining an order authorising repayment to the Board by the London and Westminster Bank of the sum of £5,800 and interest, part of the amount deposited by the Board at that Bank in respect of the purchase of property in Upper Fore-street, Lambeth, for the purposes of the Southern Embankment, and a Deed Poll relating to the same property.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the above-mentioned documents respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

40. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
1st April, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

The premises of the four applicants in the accompanying Schedule having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of three calendar months from the 1st instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
BERMONDSEY	Parr, Thos.	14,956	158, Grange Road	10	Yard P. d.
HACKNEY	Clark, John A.	14,953	11. Duncan Place, London Fields	2 qts.	Shop btls.
ISLINGTON	Hale, John	14,952	165, Culford Road North, Ball's Pond Road	5	Whse. P.d.
SHOREDITCH	Hitchcock, Hy.	12,491	260, Hoxton Street	6	Shed ..

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

41. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Thomas, for a re-consideration by the Board of their Order of the 18th March last (No. 30) as to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 1, Stafford-place, Wyndham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

42. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. H. Stevens, for the consent of the Board to ornamental wooden verge boards being affixed to the dormers of three houses in course of erection in King-street West, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

43. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. T. Schweizer, for the approval by the Board of covered entrances erected to the houses, Nos. 72 and 74, Southgate-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, stating that, pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 11th February last, (No. 59), he had communicated to the Vestry of Hampstead, the complaint made by Mr. Brown, of the erection of a covered way and corridors against the walls of the Convalescent Hospital, known as St. Peter's Home, in Mortimer-road, St. John's Wood, and that he had received a reply thereto stating that a Committee of the Vestry had viewed the erections complained of and saw no objection to them.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

45. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. M. Girdler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of workshops at the corner of Lambeth-road and Kennington-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

46. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Waterson and Co., on behalf of Mr. Blundell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four shops at the corner of Dartmouth-road and Raglan-street Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

47. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. A. Corbett, on behalf of Mr. William Mudd, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition on the forecourt of a house adjoining the "Hope Inn," Loampit Vale, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Elkington, for the consent of the Board to the construction of projecting eaves to a house in course of erection in Anerley-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

49. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Markall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at No. 326, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed shop do not exceed that of the adjoining shops already brought out on either side, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Reuben Button, for the approval by the Board of the frontage line for houses and shops proposed to be erected in Bow-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the approach to the Drapers' Almshouses be made of the full width of forty feet, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. St. Luke, Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Rowland Plumbe, for the consent of the Board to the erection of additions in front of the houses, Nos. 1 and 2, Chiswell-street, Finsbury-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Kent, for the consent of the Board to rebuild a shop at No. 297, and to erect a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 299, Euston-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage line be kept back eleven feet from the outer edge of the kerb; that the vacant ground between such line and the existing footway be given up and added to the public way previously to the commencement of building operations; that the height of the shop do not exceed that of the adjacent shops, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

53. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, on behalf of Earl Spencer, for the consent of the Board to the construction of verge boards to semi-detached cottages at Roehampton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

54. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a ventilator in the roof of a house in course of erection in High-street, Roehampton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

55. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line proposed for houses and shops at the corner of Union-grove and Wandsworth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. B. Shea, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a watercloset in the rear of the house No. 6, St. Leonard's-terrace, Walpole-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

57. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Thompson, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a partition of incombustible materials at a building in course of erection on the site of St. Benet's Church, Gracechurch-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

58. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Ashton, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron building in the garden at the rear of the Gloucester Hotel, at the corner of King-street and Silver-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be put together to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

59. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of the Rev. S. C. Haines, for an extension of the time granted by the Board on the 19th March, 1869, (No. 80), for the use of a temporary iron church in Warwick-road, Kensington.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building in question be permitted to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

60. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Johnson, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at his premises in Davey-road, Bow.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

61. Rotherhithe.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Cartwright, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the premises No. 15, Union-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

62. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Teulon and Cronk, for a modification in the Order made by the Board on the 28th January last (No. 43), with respect to the erection of three cottages in continuation of Tyne-terrace, and requesting, in consequence of their inability to remove the portion of the wall from A to B on the Plan, that the Board would sanction the erection of that portion as proposed in their former application, and stating their willingness to remove the portion from C to D, and to make the footway the same width as that existing in front of Tyne-terrace, and to erect a low open palisade fence to divide the footway from the gardens, the footway as shown upon the Plan to be paved.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted, on condition that no portion of the garden ground be at any future time built upon.

63. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. N. Lockington, on behalf of Mr. Harverson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings in Lyme-grove, Mare-street, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

64. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Sutton and Dudley, for the approval by the Board of the frontage line proposed for buildings in Little Park-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

65. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th March, 1870, on the application of Mr. Reuben Button, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new Street as an approach to the Drapers' Almshouses, adjoining the North London Railway, Bow-road, and of the name "Levett-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed street be made of the full width of 40 feet throughout.

66. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Todd, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of three new roads on the Harefield Estate, Battersea, and of the names "Colbert-street," "Tetton-street," and "Mowbray-street," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

67. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Goodman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new roads to lead out of Union Grove, Wandsworth-road.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

68. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Grunsdell, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a building, of Portland Cement Concrete, in the garden of Devonshire House, Seven Sisters'-road, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that a license, subject to the usual conditions, be issued to the applicant.

69. The Superintending Architect laid before the Board a Return, prepared pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 18th ultimo (No. 12).

Resolved—That the said Return be received and entered on the Minutes of proceedings of this day, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, and it is entered accordingly.—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
24th March, 1870.

Metropolitan Building Act, 1855.

Memorandum relative to Return as to District Surveyors' appointments, &c.

In obedience to the Order of the Board last Friday (18th March), I beg to submit a Return of the dates of appointments of the several District Surveyors under the Building Act, with their ages, and average amount of gross and nett fees received by them respectively.

The fees have been taken on the average of the three years up to 1868, as the Abstract for 1869 is not yet made up. The ages of District Surveyors have been ascertained from Returns made by themselves.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Return of District Surveyors, under the Building Act, arranged according to the order of their appointments.

Appointed by the Justices under the Act of 1774.

Date of Appointment.	Name.	Age.	District.	Average Fees for 1866, 1867, and 1868.	
				Gross Fees received.	Nett Fees received.
				£	£
1823	Henry Edward Kendall..	84	St. Martin's and St. Anne, Soho ..	224	224
1825	George Gutch	79	Paddington	729	525
1825	Henry Baker	67	St. Pancras	1,550	1,240
1826	David Roper	67	St. Saviour's, part Lambeth, and St. George-the-Martyr	512	427
1838	Joseph H. Good	57	Bow and Poplar	1,133	1,004
1839	Edmund Woodthorpe ..	55	St. Anne, Limehouse, and Ratcliff ..	210	155
1842	Robert Hesketh	53	Bermondsey, &c.	916	816
1843	J. B. Redman	51	Tower Liberty	27	11

Appointed by Justices under Act of 1844.

Date of Appointment.	Name.	Age.	District.	Average Fees for 1866, 1867, and 1868.	
				Gross Fees received.	Nett Fees received.
1844	John Blyth	64	Bromley	503	407
1844	William Lovell	56	Stoke Newington	256	221
1844	Henry E. Kendall, Jun.	64	Hampstead	707	596
1844	T. L. Donaldson.. .. (Alfred Williams deputy 1865)	74	South Kensington	1,163	851
1844	A. Moseley	56	Fulham	589	552
1844	Alfred J. Hiscocks ..	64	Wandsworth and Tooting	586	522
1844	Edward I'Anson.. ..	58	Clapham and part Battersea	555	494
1844	R. P. Browne	67	Greenwich	360	218
1844	James Collis	62	Charlton, Lee, and Kidbrooke	265	163
1846	Robert Warton	71	Shoreditch and Norton Folgate ..	761	589
1847	William Snooke	56	Rotherhithe, Hatcham, and part Camberwell (1859)	319	263
1849	Robert L. Sibley ..	51	Clerkenwell	307	259
1851	Joseph Jennings.. ..	..	South St., Marylebone	617	480
1853	Edmund Woodthorpe ..	55	City of London (Northern Division) ..	503	373
1853	John Young	72	City of London (Eastern Division) ..	469	339
1853	Henry J. Hammon ..	57	St. Luke, Old Street, &c.	359	324
1853	William Moseley ..	71	West Islington	987	819
1853	George Godwin	55	South Islington	488	372
1855	John Whichcord.. ..	46	Deptford	887	662
1855	Charles Fowler	46	St. Giles and St. George, Bloomsbury	160	123
1855	John Turner	64	East Islington	1,496	1,267

Appointed by Metropolitan Board of Works, under Act of 1855.

1856 } 1858 }	Edwin Nash	57	Penge and Norwood	725	584
1856	George B. Williams ..	53	Plumstead and Eltham	284	200
1857 } 1844 }	Rawlinson Parkinson ..	58	City of London (Western Division) ..	320	200
1858 } 1844 }	George Legg	..	Belgrave and Pimlico	428	343
1858 } 1854 }	Frederick W. Porter ..	48	Holborn and East Strand	423	286
1858 } 1844 }	John Mullins	75	Streatham and Brixton	336	314
1858	Henry Parsons	42	South Lambeth and part of Camberwell (1859)	1,637	1,323
1859	Henry Jarvis	54	Camberwell	1,458	1,038
1861	George Aitchison ..	45	Woolwich	144	44
1861	John Johnson	61	East Hackn e	922	715

Date of Appointment.	Name.	Age.	District.	Average Fees for 1866, 1867, and 1869.	
				Gross Fees received.	Nett Fees received.
1861	George Legg	51	West Hackney	1,021	820
1862 / 1856	Sancton Wood	55	Chelsea	500	450
1862	John H. Stevens ..	37	Bethnal Green	688	588
1862	Robert Kerr	47	St. James	435	370
1862	Horace Field	47	Putney and Roehampton	257	232
1863 / 1844	Harry Oliver	54	Whitechapel, Spitalfields, and Mile End New Town	267	209
1863	Samuel S. Markham ..	48	St. George-in-the-East, St. Botolph, and Shadwell	245	174
1863	Thomas E. Knightley ..	..	Hammersmith	1,208	850
1865	Henry S. Legg	39	Mile End Old Town	917	767
1866	William Coats	59	East Kensington (2 years)	1,183	1,064
1866	Henry Hart	54	West Kensington do.	729	701
*1870 / 1866	James Tolley	39	St. Margaret and St. John, Westminster	309	248
1866	Alexander Peebles ..	30	North Saint Marylebone	326	231
1867	Henry John Hansom ..	42	North Battersea	1,082	925
1867	Cæsar A. Long	31	St. Mary, Newington, and part of Lambeth	811	603
1867	Newton E. Jennings ..	30	Central Lambeth and part of Battersea	524	377
1867	Richard Bell	59	St. George, Hanover Square (North)† ..	357	295
1869	Edward Power	30	City of London (Southern Division)† ..	144	144
1870	Charles James Badger ..	42	Lewisham / Sydenham — Gross Fees £1,026 — Nett Fees £861, say	513	430
1870	James Tolley	39		513	430

Mr. Parkinson, prior to his appointment by the Board in 1857, had been a District Surveyor under the Act of 1844, for Hornsey, but such appointment ceased on the parish being omitted.

Mr. Legg and Mr. Porter were previously District Surveyors in small Districts, but were transferred to their present Districts on a vacancy arising in the parish of St. George, Hanover Square.

Mr. Mullins had Brixton added to his District in 1858.

Mr. Wood had been appointed to Putney prior to being transferred to his present appointment.

Mr. Oliver was appointed to Whitechapel in 1844, and his district was re-constituted by additions in 1863.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Spring Gardens, 27th March, 1870.

Notes.—Mr. Nash had Norwood added to his District in 1858.
† This was the average prior to their appointment.
* Interim Surveyor.

70. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Wright and Dresser, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the premises of Messrs. Leighton, Son, and Hodges, No. 16, New Street-square, and Plough Court, Fetter-lane.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

71. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. S. Harris and Son, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a wooden building on ground adjoining Ringford-road, West-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

72. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Jackson and Graham, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft and boiler seatings at their premises in Ogle-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

73. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th March, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Cookson, Wainwright, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Thomas Single, requesting the Board to re-consider their Order of the 4th March last (No. 59), relative to the erection of houses in a narrow road leading from Carlton-road to Clifton-grove, and expressing their willingness to keep the frontage line of the proposed houses 20 feet back from the centre of the road.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

74. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. C. J. Tisley, dated 24th March, 1870, stating that a Petition to the Board from inhabitants of Limes Grove, Lewisham, against the alteration of the name of that place was in course of signature, and asking the Board to withhold their sanction to the alteration until the Petition is presented, and a further letter, dated 29th March, 1870, with the Petition referred to.

Resolved—That the said Letters and Petition be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

75. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Guildhall, 26th March, 1870.

Sir,—The time having arrived when, for the convenience of the public, it is desirable that names should be given to the streets constructed by the Improvement Committee of the Corporation of London, under the powers of the Holborn Valley Improvement Acts, I am instructed to communicate with the Metropolitan Board of Works thereon.

The Improvement Committee have taken the subject into consideration, and they now beg leave to suggest to the Metropolitan Board the following names, viz, :—

For the thoroughfare from the Circus to Newgate-street, "Holborn Viaduct."

For the street at the back of St. Andrew's Church from Holborn to Shoe-lane, "St. Andrew-street."

For the street from St. Sepulchre's Church to Farringdon-road, "Snow-hill."

Requesting that you will be kind enough to lay this letter before the Board.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) F. WOODTHORPE.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk to Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

76. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. W. James, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board of Works, dated 25th March, 1870, requesting the sanction of this Board to a Loan, by the District Board, of the sum of £15,000, for a term of thirty years for defraying the cost of additional sewerage works in the District.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

77. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. B. Redman, dated March, 1870, containing suggestions with regard to the use of Tramways in the Metropolis.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills relating to Tramways.

78. The Clerk presented the following communication—

United Metropolitan Vestry Committee.
Saint Pancras Vestry Hall,
King's-road, Pancras-road, 25th March, 1870.

Sir,—I am instructed by the representatives of the several Vestries and District Boards forming the United Metropolitan Vestry Committee, to forward herewith the accompanying copy of their Resolution with reference to the Tramways Bill, and am to request that you will bring the same under the consideration of your Board at their next meeting.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB, Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

United Metropolitan Vestry Committee.

At a meeting held on the 17th day of March, 1870, Mr. Clement George in the Chair,

The Committee having considered the Tramways Bill,

It was resolved—

1. That, in the opinion of this Committee, Tramways can be laid and worked upon roadways of great traffic in the Metropolis so as not to interfere with the ordinary uses of the roadway by any kind of vehicle.
2. That Tramways ought to be laid according to an uniform gauge, and upon some comprehensive scheme applicable to the whole Metropolis.
3. That, in the event of such a scheme being adopted, the construction and management of the Tramways ought to be in the hands of some Central Authority.
4. That it is advisable to confer upon some Central Representative Authority the duty of devising, constructing, and managing such scheme, and that such Authority should have power to let by tender the privilege of running cars upon the Tramways; and that, after defraying the costs of construction and maintenance, the surplus of the revenue arising should be applied in aid of the rates.
5. That it is not expedient to permit Companies of private individuals to lay Tramways upon public thoroughfares.

Extracted from the Minutes.

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills relating to Tramways.

79. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Board of Trade, (Railway Department), London, S.W.,
29th March, 1870.

Sir,—I am directed by the Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, enclosing an application from the Metropolitan Board of Works, pursuant to Section 6 of the Metropolitan District Railway Act, 1869, requesting this Board to give such instructions as may be necessary to expedite the progress of the works of the Metropolitan District Railway.

In reply I am to acquaint you, for the information of your Board, that the Board of Trade see some difficulty with respect to the mode of enforcing such an order, inasmuch as no penalty is provided in the Act for non-observance.

It seems also doubtful, whether, having regard to the terms of the Act in question, this Board can do more than direct the Company to take the necessary steps to expedite the construction of the Railway without being able to prescribe what such steps are to be.

The Board of Trade would, therefore, like to be favoured with the views of the Metropolitan Board of Works on these points before making their order in the matter.

The Board of Trade have in the meantime transmitted a copy of the application to the Metropolitan District Railway Company.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. R. MALCOLM.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

80. The Clerk presented letters from Mr. W. D. Shutt, both dated 30th March, 1870, referring to his previous communications, on the subject of his claim for wages for services rendered to the Board as a Clerk of Works at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and on the Thames Embankment Works, and requesting a reply thereto.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Solicitor to send a reply thereto.

81. The Clerk presented the following communication—

Saint George-in-the-East, Middlesex, Vestry Hall, Cable-street,
1st April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I beg herewith to forward you copy of a resolution agreed to by this Vestry last evening, and shall be obliged by your submitting the same to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

And am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. G. HARRISON, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

St. George-in-the-East—At a Vestry Meeting, held March 31st, 1870,—
Present—Rev. John Lockhart Ross, M.A., Rector, in the Chair.

Resolved—That, Parliament having sanctioned the principle of permitting tramways in the streets of the Metropolis, it is the opinion of this Vestry—

1st.—That, in order to secure to the Metropolitan community the utmost advantage that can arise from the formation of Tramways in the streets for facilitating intercommunication, and at the same time reducing to the utmost the inevitable obstruction and inconvenience which will be occasioned to other traffic, by their introduction, as also to the householders on the lines, it is desirable that the necessary routes should be laid out, and the trams constructed on one well-considered comprehensive scheme for the whole Metropolis, and also worked under the direction of one central authority.

2nd.—That the Metropolitan Board of Works, constituted as it expressly was for promoting and effecting improvements in the Metropolis, is the Body on which that duty should devolve.

3rd.—That it be respectfully urged upon the Metropolitan Board of Works to seek from Parliament the concession of the privilege to construct tramways, and to direct the traffic management of the same, and to apply the accruing profits for the public improvements of the Metropolis, in relief of the rates.

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration in connection with the Bills relating to Tramways.

82. The Clerk presented the following Return.—

Metropolitan Board of Works.

Return to an Order of the Board of the 4th March, 1870, on the motion of Mr. Shaw, "of "Officials in the permanent employment of the Board, from whom security is demanded, and the "Guarantee required; of the amount of public money lost by the defalcations of Mr. Hughes, the "late Accountant, including all expenses incurred in prosecuting him; the amount guaranteed by "the European Assurance Society, and the amount paid by them."

Officials from whom Security is demanded.		Amount of Guarantee required.
		£
Gunn, Arthur	Accountant	1,000
Edwards, Henry	Cashier	1,000
Whitworth, Edward	Third Clerk, Accountant's Department	250
Gotto, John	Bailiff	250
Airey, Henry	Gas-meter Inspector	200
Dethridge, George	Ditto	200
Mills, George	Ditto	200

Amount of public money lost by the defalcations of Mr. Hughes, the late Accountant ..	£1,500 9 9
Costs of Prosecution	309 13 3
	£1,810 3 0
Amount guaranteed by the European Assurance Society	£1,000 0 0
Amount paid by them	£525 0 0

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN, Accountant.

Spring Gardens, S.W., March, 1870.

Resolved—That the said Return be received.

83. The following **Notices of motion** were given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, viz.—

By Mr. Dresser Rogers, (No. 519). As to referring to Works, &c., Committee, the subject of the present arrangements in the Engineer's Department.

By Mr. Shaw, (No. 520). To rescind that part of the resolution of the Board of the 25th March last, as proposes to constitute this Board the Local Authority as to Tramways.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 8th instant at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 14

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **8th** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Thomas Turner, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
		Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 1st instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from freeholders, &c., of property in Battersea, introduced by Mr. Meaden, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Wallace, Dr. Leslie, Rev. Mr. Ince, Rev. Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Foster, Mr. Kesterton, Mr. Hancock, sen., Mr. Hancock, jun., Mr. Elliott, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Tubbs, Mr. Austin, Mr. Sweet, and Mr. Worley, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Inhabitants of the Parish of Battersea, in the County of Surrey, in Public Meeting Assembled,

Sheweth—

That your Memorialists caused to be convened a Public Meeting which was duly advertised by means of a placard, of which the following is a copy—

"The late Fire in Orkney-street.

"A Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of this Parish, resident in the neighbourhood fronting the Park, is convened to be held on Monday Evening, March 21st, 1870, at Eight o'Clock, in the Club Room of Mr. Kesterton's, the 'Grove Tavern,' Battersea Park, (kindly lent for the occasion) For the purpose of adopting a requisition to the Metropolitan Board of Works, soliciting that body to take into their consideration the unprotected state of this locality against the ravages of fire. Had the conflagration, which took place in Orkney-street last Wednesday evening, broken out in

the dead of the night, in a house fully tenanted, it is awful to contemplate the probable loss of human life which would have ensued owing to the length of time that elapsed before the arrival of the Engines, and more especially the total absence of a Fire Escape at the scene."

That your Memorialists attended such Meeting, and after hearing the statements of eye-witnesses as to the nature of the Fire in Orkney-street, and of the time that elapsed before the arrival of any Engine, and also the fact that no Fire Escape arrived at all, the following resolutions were proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously, viz.—

At a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of Battersea, held on the 21st March 1870, in the Club Room of the "Globe Tavern," Battersea Park.

Mr. J. F. Cudlip in the Chair.

1st Resolution, proposed by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Kesterton—That, inasmuch as nearly an hour elapsed between the outbreak of the Fire in Orkney-street and the arrival of the Engines, this Meeting is of opinion that it is absolutely necessary for the safety of human life and the preservation of property, that an Engine and a Fire Escape should be immediately stationed in a central spot, opposite Battersea Park, in the Lower Wandsworth-road—the nearest Brigade Station being at least one-and-a-half miles off, and the nearest Fire Escape one mile distant, and even that becomes almost unavailable, owing to the obstructions in the roads by railway bridges, &c.

2nd Resolution, proposed by Mr. Massey, seconded by Mr. Hancock—That the Metropolitan Board of Works having taken into their control the maintenance of the Fire Brigade of the Metropolitan District, and charging the same according to the rateable value of the Parishes within its limits of jurisdiction, this Meeting claims on behalf of the Inhabitants of this District the same protection from Fire which other Districts enjoy, and towards which this Parish largely contributes.

3rd Resolution, proposed by Mr. Lumsden, seconded by Mr. Henry James—That a Memorial should be prepared and engrossed, embodying the sentiments of this Meeting, and presented by a Deputation to the Board of Works forthwith. Such Memorial to be signed by the presiding Chairman of this Meeting on behalf of those assembled thereat.

4th Resolution, proposed by Mr. Sweet, seconded by Mr. Dornan—That the form of such Memorial as now submitted to this Meeting, be and is hereby approved of.

5th Resolution—That the following gentlemen form the Deputation, with power to add to their number:—Dr. Leslie, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Kesterton, Mr. Lumsden, Mr. Thelenberg, Mr. Allen, Mr. W. S. Baker, Mr. Sweet, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Austin, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Tubbs, Mr. Price.

Your Memorialists, therefore, most urgently appeal to your Board to provide their immediate neighbourhood with an Engine and a Fire Escape, so that they may feel more secure against the ravages of fire, both as respects their property, but above all their lives.

(Signed) JAMES FORD CUDLIP,
Chairman of the above Meeting.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Meaden, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said Memorial be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration and report.

3. This being the day for receiving Tenders for the supply of Stationery &c., required by the Board, the following Tenders were opened—

Messrs. John Smith and Co., 52, Long Acre, at 35½ per cent. below the prices mentioned in the schedule.

Messrs. James Truscott and Son, Suffolk-lane, E.C., at 33⅓ per cent. below the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. T. Pettitt and Co., 23, Frith-street, and 50, Old Compton-street, Soho-square, at 22½ per cent. below the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. Parkins and Gotto, 25, Oxford-street, at 10⅛ per cent. below the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. John Phipps and Co., 176, Upper Thames-street, at 2½ per cent. below the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Tender of Messrs. John Smith and Co., for the supply of Stationery and small Stores, and for Binding, &c., required by the Board for a period of two years, at 35½ per cent. below the prices enumerated in the schedules attached to their Tender, be accepted.

4. Mr. Shaw handed in a communication from the Vestry of St. Marylebone, which was read as follows—

St. Marylebone, April 7th, 1870.—At the Vestry.

PRESENT—Mr. Churchwarden Chubb in the Chair.

RESOLVED—

That in the opinion of this Vestry it would be injudicious to give jurisdiction to the Metropolitan Board of Works over the construction and maintenance of a portion of the streets of the metropolis, inasmuch as the same would be in derogation of the powers and authorities justly assigned to, and exercised by, the Vestries and District Boards in the metropolis, and be contrary to the principles on which the Board of Works itself is established, whilst at the same time the public would be inconvenienced by the conflict of authority naturally arising from two bodies having jurisdiction in relation to the paving (whether as tramway or otherwise) in the same street. Further, that the principle upon which the funds of the Board of Works are directed to be raised, viz., that each portion of the metropolis is equally benefited, is not applicable to the case of tramways, as it would happen that some parishes not having or requiring a tramway within their boundaries, would be called upon to contribute to the construction of a tramway in localities in which they had no interest, and which would be of no benefit to them; and there would also arise this inconsistent principle, that one portion of a street would be maintained at the charge of the rates levied on the parish or district solely, and another portion of the same street at the charge of the metropolis generally. Further, that the exclusion of the City of London from the jurisdiction of the Board of Works in regard to Tramways, raises an inconsistency in the principle sought to be established by the Board (but which this Vestry deprecates) from the charges for the construction of tramways being raised by a Metropolitan Rate, but from which a principal portion of the metropolis would be exempted.

(Extracted from the Minutes)

(Signed) W. E. GREENWELL, Vestry Clerk.

5. Read the following letter—

Vestry Hall, Walworth, S.E., April 7th, 1870.

Vestry St. Mary, Newington—TRAMWAYS BILL, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that at the meeting of the Vestry last evening, a resolution was passed approving of the Metropolitan Board of Works being substituted in this Bill as the local authority to construct, or to sanction the construction of tramways in the metropolis, and that should Mr. Shaw, the representative of the Vestry of St. Marylebone, press his motion for rescinding the resolution of your Board, whereby the Solicitor was instructed to apply to the Select Committee of the House of Commons for the Board of Works to be substituted in the place of the Vestries and District Boards, our representative (Mr. C. Stuart Barker) was instructed to oppose such rescinding.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) L. J. DUNHAM, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.

6. Mr. Moreland handed in a letter from the Vestry of St. Luke, Old-street, which was read as follows—

Vestry Clerk's Office, St. Luke's Vestry Hall,

City-road, E.C., 7th April, 1870.

TRAMWAYS REGULATION BILL.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry of this parish to forward you the following copies of resolutions passed at a special meeting held this day.

Resolved, that this Vestry is of opinion that it would not be desirable to vest in the Metropolitan Board of Works the entire control of tramways in the metropolis, as suggested by their Counsel, but that their functions should be restricted to arbitration in the case of any dispute between conflicting parishes.

Resolved, that the above resolution be embodied in a petition to the House of Commons, under the seal of the Vestry, and that copies of the resolutions be forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and to Mr. Shaw.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. W. HAYNE, Vestry Clerk.

Joseph Moreland, Esq.
&c., &c., &c.

7. Read a letter as follows—

Office of the Board of Works, Whitechapel District,

No. 15, Great Alie-street, Whitechapel, E., 6th April, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by this Board to state for the information of the Metropolitan Board that at a meeting held on Monday evening last a resolution was passed by the Board on the subject of the Tramways Bill, of which the following is a copy:—"That this Board disapproves the action taken by the Metropolitan Board of Works in relation to the metropolis, in seeking the transfer of the office of Surveyor of Highways from the local authorities to themselves by amendments to the Tramways Bill now in Parliament." And I have to ask on behalf of the Board that you will be pleased to lay this communication before the Metropolitan Board at their next Meeting.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) ALFRED TURNER, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens, S.W.

8. Mr. Richardson handed in a letter from the Greenwich District Board, which was read as follows—

Board of Works, (Greenwich District) Offices, Church Street, Greenwich, S.E.,
7th April, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Works for this District having received several letters from Mr. Thomas Eccleston Gibb, purporting to be on the part of certain persons styling themselves "The United Metropolitan Vestry Committee," sitting at the St. Pancras Vestry Hall, professing to be the "representatives of the Vestries and District Boards," and to express the opinions and sentiments of those Local Authorities on the subject of the Tramways and other matters affecting the Metropolis, I am directed to inform you that such persons do not in any respect represent the Greenwich District Board of Works, nor have they any authority to do so.

I am further directed to state that the Greenwich District Board of Works are entirely opposed to the action taken by the Metropolitan Board in seeking to transfer the office of Surveyors of Highways from the Local Authorities to themselves by amendments to the Tramways Bill now before Parliament, and they trust that after the general expression of opinion of other District Boards and Vestries on this subject, the Metropolitan Board of Works will rescind their resolution to apply to be substituted in the place of the Local Authorities who have now the control of the paving of the roads and streets in the Metropolis.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) E. W. JAMES, Clerk to the Board.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

9. Mr. Hows handed in a communication from the Vestry of Shoreditch, which was read as follows—

Vestry Meeting, 5th April, 1870.

Read the Notice convening the Meeting.

TRAMWAYS.

Resolved, that this Vestry request the Members representing it at the Metropolitan Board, to oppose the transfer to that Board of the power to sanction tramways in thoroughfares over which this Vestry has control.

Taken from the Minutes of the Vestry.

(Signed) E. WALKER, Vestry Clerk,
per C. D.

10. Mr. Legg handed in a letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, which was read as follows—

Metropolis Local Management Act,
18 & 19 Vic. cap. 120.
Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.

Vestry Offices, Maltby-street, S.E., 7th April, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Vestry to forward you a statement showing the paving works which they propose to execute with the money they have requested your permission to borrow, and, inasmuch as their Surveyor's estimate for the same exceeds the amount mentioned in my letter of the 22nd ult. by upwards of £1,000, the Vestry will be glad if you will sanction their borrowing £9,000 instead of £8,000.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. I. RICHES, Assistant Clerk.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

The Statement referred to was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the said letter and statement be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration in connection with the former reference on the same subject, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

11. Read a letter as follows—

The Board of Works for the St. Olave District, Southwark.
Board Room, 86, Queen Elizabeth-street,

St. John's, Southwark,
6th day of April, 1870.

Tooley Street Improvement.

DEAR SIR—Since my letter to you of the 15th April, 1869, this Board has completed the purchase of No. 57, Tooley-street, therein referred to, for the following sums—

	£	s.	d.
Freehold Interest	1,570	0	0
Surveyor's Fee	21	0	0
Vendors' Solicitor's Charges	44	19	5
	£1,635	19	5

Arrangements have now been made for the interests of the lessees who will at once give up possession of their lease, and the frontage will at once be thrown into the public street without any further money payment.

No. 58. In the year 1865, the Board purchased of one Miss S. S. Smith, the frontage of this house, subject to a lease for a term of 21 years, from 24th June, 1850, which will expire at Midsummer, 1871, for a sum of 500 0 0

This Board undertook to rebuild the front of this latter house (at an estimated cost of £300.) The Board has, however, made arrangements with Messrs. Brook and Roberts, the present lessees and occupiers, that they shall pull down this front at their own expense, and lay the site thereof into the public way, thus effecting a saving of this latter cost to your Board as also to the locality.

No. 62. This house was subject to a suit in Chancery, and the vendors asked £1,100 for the freehold; a reference was agreed to, and it has been purchased for £770 0 0

The Tenant has been paid	100	0	0
Half cost of Arbitrator's Fee	8	10	0
	878	10	0
	£3,014	9	5

The house is now in the hands of the Board.

The whole of the property in Tooley-street, and referred to in the Memorial to your Board of October, 1866, has been purchased, except the Duke of Clarence P.H., and for which the Board is now negotiating; a piece of land has, however, been reserved, sufficient for the erection of the P.H., whereby the Board hope to recoup to themselves the whole, if not the largest portion of the cost. Your Board is not, however, asked at the present time for any contribution to this latter property.

So much of the property being now in hand, the improvement will be commenced so soon as your Board has given an answer to this application for contribution.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) ROB. SLEE,
Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Turner, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

12. Mr. Thompson handed in a letter, which was read as follows—

Vestry Hall, Clerkenwell,
23, Upper Rosoman-street, E.C.,
April 4th, 1870.

METROPOLIS WATER SUPPLY.

DEAR SIR,—In accordance with the instructions of this Vestry, I herewith enclose a copy of a Resolution passed by them at the last Meeting of the Vestry on the above subject, and I have to request that you will have the goodness to lay same before your Board.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

Vestry of the Parish of Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell.

At a Meeting of the Vestry, March 24th, 1870.

Present Mr. Churchwarden FRANKLIN in the Chair.

It was RESOLVED—

"That this Vestry is of opinion, that it is most undesirable and inexpedient that the Metropolitan Board of Works, or any other Central Board, should be empowered to buy up the interests of the existing Metropolitan Water Companies, as such a proceeding would be the means of throwing great additional burdens on the Metropolitan Ratepayers, that, whilst this Vestry is of opinion that an abundant supply of good water should be afforded to every inhabitant, it also considers that this desirable object would be best attained through the agency of the existing Companies, who from their long experience would be much better able than any Central Board to arrange with the consumers as to the mode of securing to them the required supply," and

"That a copy of the foregoing resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the President of the Board of Trade, the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the Vestries of Saint Marylebone and Saint Pancras."

Extract from Board Minutes.

(Signed) ROBERT PAGET,
Vestry Clerk.

13. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 5th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 2nd April, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	147,960 17 8	2,084 11 7	..	145,876 6 1
Fire Brigade	..	11,130 7 0	2,393 17 4	..	8,736 9 8
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	132,106 1 1	78,000 0 0	..	54,106 1 1
Fire Brigade	..	14,834 7 2	371 12 4	..	14,462 14 10
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,784 16 9	..	..	1,784 16 9
Victoria Park Approach	4,219 14 10	..	..	4,219 14 10	..
Finsbury Park	..	523 13 3	..	..	523 13 3
Southwark Park	..	895 6 4	..	..	895 6 4
Whitechapel Improvement	..	1,354 5 7	526 3 4	..	828 2 3
Holborn Improvement	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
Kensington Improvement	..	5,773 3 9	126 0 0	..	5,647 3 9
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	50,508 5 11	7,248 10 0	..	43,259 15 11
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	..	3,911 15 8	2,166 16 6	..	1,744 19 2
Park Lane Improvement	..	2,841 2 4	..	..	2,841 2 4
Chelsea Embankment	..	1,612 7 11	..	..	1,612 7 11
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	..	652 8 0	..	..	652 8 0
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,784 10 1	..	..	1,784 10 1
Consolidated Loans Fund	..	5,726 12 4	26,421 14 5	20,695 2 1	..
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	4,219 14 10	385,237 18 2	119,339 5 6	24,914 16 11	286,593 14 9
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	4,219 14 10	..	..	24,914 16 11
		381,018 3 4			261,678 17 10
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,984 2 10	509 4 0	..	1,474 18 10
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
Thames Embankment, North	..	30,361 10 2	6,450 0 0	..	23,911 10 2
Southern Embankment	..	159,610 15 8	438 17 7	..	159,171 18 1
Mansion House Street	..	32,565 17 5	188 8 1	..	32,377 9 4
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	222,538 3 3	7,077 5 8	..	215,460 17 7
AGGREGATE TOTALS	£ ..	605,540 9 5	126,925 15 2	..	478,614 14 3

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,259 16s. 11d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Fire Brigade Superannuation Fund	2,066 12s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from 21st March to 2nd April, 1870—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.			
Assessments under Precept—			
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	£3,108 2 0		
Staple Inn	23 5 6		
Paddington	9,429 10 7		
St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark	1,779 16 3		
Islington	10,072 6 0		
Marylebone	12,125 1 6		
Bermondsey	2,925 0 0		
City of London	22,129 11 7		
Furnival's Inn	28 11 7		
St. Saviour's	1,982 18 1		
Gray's Inn	137 1 9		
		63,741 4 10	
Rates		121 0 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters		101 11 0	
Plans, &c., sold		2 0 0	
Building Act Fees		3 15 0	
Drain Junctions		2 2 0	
Costs recovered		0 2 0	
Improvement Rates		7 16 4	
			63,979 11 2
FIRE BRIGADE.			
Contributions from Insurance Offices		2,275 5 0	
Chimney-fire Fines		84 16 6	
Ex-Metropolitan Fires		25 6 6	
Watching Premises		17 1 6	
Dividend on Sinking Fund		19 1 8	
Costs of Prosecution, *re* Walker		2 19 2	
			2,424 10 4
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.			
Rents			39 4 1
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.			
Rates			28 0 0
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.			
Rents		444 14 8	
Sale of Ground Rents		78,208 18 5	
Interest, *re* Metropolitan Asylum District Board		2,559 3 6	
			81,212 16 7
			£147,684 2 2

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £16,181 16s. 8d., be paid.

Your Committee have also to report that, in accordance with the bye-law of the Board, they have had the several bonds and other securities laid before them, and they have ascertained that the several officers for whose fidelity the security of the Guarantee Societies is given, have regularly paid their premiums. Inquiries have also been made as to the responsibilities of the several contractors and their sureties; the general result is satisfactory except as regards the contracts with Mr. Nicholson for the general jobbing works for the southern division of the Metropolis and for sewer works in the Deptford Lower-road, which are now being carried on under trustees, as has been already brought to the knowledge of the Board by the notices assigning the moneys payable under these contracts to Messrs. Doulton, which were presented to the Board on the 18th March last, and referred to your Committee to take the necessary steps with respect to them.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 15th August, 1862, (No. 86), the Clerk has laid before them inventories of furniture and other articles, the property of the Board, in the several departments of the Board's offices, corrected up to the present time, which your Committee beg to submit for the information of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHA$^{S.}$ HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
STEWARD, C.—				
(3872)	Side-entrance Flap for sample, supplied March, 1870		4 4 0	
MIDDLETON, T.—				
(3873)	Repairs to Lifts at Cremorne Pumping Station, January, 1870 ..		83 19 4	
SARA, N.—				
(3874)	New Grate and alterations to Fire-places at Deptford Pumping Station, December, 1869		7 5 1	
CORY, W., AND SON—				
(3875)	Coals and Coke for Pumping Stations, January to March, 1870—			
	Cremorne	£156 15 0		
	Abbey Mills	20 16 1		
	Deptford	17 16 3		
	Crossness	362 3 9		
			557 11 1	
CHELSEA WATER WORKS COMPANY—				
(3876)	Water supplied to Cremorne Pumping Station, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869		23 10 0	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—				
(3877)	Fair Copying &c.—			
	Solicitor's Department—			
	October, 1869	£46 12 10		
	November, ,, ...	57 0 1		
	December, ,, ...	74 7 1		
		178 0 0		
	Clerk's Department—			
	January, 1870	£53 6 4		
	February, ,, ...	43 1 2		
		96 7 6		
	Accountant's Department—			
	January, 1870	£4 3 0		
	February, ,, ...	16 10 9		
		20 13 9		
	Architect's Department—			
	January, 1870	£87 5 7		
	February, ,, ...	71 19 7		
		159 5 2		
			454 6 5	
STANFORD, E.—				
(3878)	Bill for Maps—July to December, 1869		3 1 6	
PAYNE, W., & Co.—				
(3879)	Repairing and Winding Office Clocks, for the Year 1869		2 10 6	
KING, W. B.—				
(3880)	Copies of Journal of Gas Lighting, *re* Water-supply of the Metropolis, February, 1870		5 0 0	
TIDMAN, C.—				
(3881)	Cleaning and Painting Gas-holders at Gas-meter Testing-house, Southwark, September, 1868		11 0 0	
LONDON ASSURANCE—				
(3882)	One Year's Insurance of Gas-meter Testing-houses, due Lady-day, 1870		9 7 6	
	Carried forward		1,161 15 5	..

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
		Brought forward		1,161	15	5		..	
	General Account—*(Continued)*.								
	Mills, G., Gas-meter Inspector—								
(3883)	Petty Disbursements—Western Testing-house, January to March, 1870	£2	19 4						
	Ditto, Petroleum Act, September, 1869, to February, 1870	0	10 6						
				3	9	10			
	Sugg, W.—								
(3884)	Pressure Gauges for Gas Meter Testing-house, Westminster, November, 1869	£6	0 0						
	Instruments for Testing Petroleum, October to December, 1869	1	4 6						
				7	4	6			
	Strachan, J. K.—								
(3885)	Witness's Expenses, *re* Gallon			1	10	0			
	Milne, W.—								
(3886)	Witness's Expenses—*re* Morrison			3	0	0			
	Airey, H.—								
(3887)	Expenses *re* Harmer—October, 1869, to February, 1870			2	9	5			
	Hodges and Son—								
(3888)	Short-hand Notes—								
	Re Morrison	£30	19 6						
	,, Baker	1	1 0						
	,, London Street Tramways	1	4 0						
	,, Smith *v.* Brownlow	2	14 0						
				35	18	6			
	Dadley, J.—								
(3889)	Witness's charges—*re* Floodings at Millwall			9	12	0			
	Eyre and Spottiswoode—								
(3890)	Copies of Evidence *re* Barking Inquiry, January, 1870			11	8	0			
	Hall, J.—								
(3891)	Witness's Charges—*re* Barking Inquiry			41	14	6			
	Economic Life Assurance Society—								
(3892)	Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £100,000, due 24th April, 1870			2,129	13	9			
	Officers' Salaries—First Monthly Advance on account, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—								
(3893)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	£25	0 0						
(3894)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,,	25	0 0						
(3895)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,,	23	6 8						
(3896)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,,	15	12 6						
(3897)	Estlin, J. ,, ,,	16	13 4						
(3898)	Link, G. E. ,, ,,	12	10 0						
(3899)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,,	12	0 0						
(3900)	Link, W., ,, ,,	11	13 4						
(3901)	Hammond, D. ,, ,,	10	16 8						
(3902)	Spencer, A. ,, ,,	10	16 8						
(3903)	Moore, H. F. ,, ,,	10	16 8						
(3904)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7	0 0						
(3905)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7	0 0						
(3906)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25	0 0						
(3907)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Accountant's Department	16	13 4						
(3908)	Whitworth, E., 3rd ,, ,,	14	11 8						
(3909)	Doggett, E., Assistant ,, ,,	12	10 0						
(3910)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,, ,,	8	6 8						
(3911)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,, ,,	6	6 8						
(3912)	Fenton, J. ,, ,, ,,	5	0 0						
(3913)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25	0 0						
(3914)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25	0 0						
(3915)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25	0 0						
(3916)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	13	6 8						
	Carried forward	365	0 10	3,407	16	11		..	

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	£365 0 10	3,407 16 11	..
	OFFICERS' SALARIES—Monthly List—*(Continued)*.			
(3917)	McDougall, J., Surveyor	Engineer's Department	25 0 0	
(3918)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman	,,	25 0 0	
(3919)	Groves, W. ,,	,,	21 13 4	
(3920)	Hunter, R. J. ,,	,,	21 13 4	
(3921)	Crook, W. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3922)	Rumble, R. A. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3923)	Crane, W. ,,	,,	18 6 8	
(3924)	Waldeck, J. F. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3925)	Mott, A. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3926)	Bell, J. ,,	,,	12 10 0	
(3927)	Groves, S. ,,	,,	15 12 6	
(3928)	Smith, J. C., Asst. Clerk	,,	5 0 0	
(3929)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works	,,	18 4 0	
(3930)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector	,,	9 2 0	
(3931)	Lovegrove, J. ,,	,,	8 6 8	
(3932)	Wilkins, J. W. ,,	,,	8 6 8	
(3933)	Gibson, G. ,,	,,	8 6 8	
(3934)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper	,,	8 6 8	
(3935)	Fernley, G. ,,	,,	4 13 4	
(3936)	Little, R. ,,	,,	6 13 4	
(3937)	Moorcroft, J. ,,	,,	6 13 4	
(3938)	Moorcroft, W. ,,	,,	5 8 4	
(3939)	Spake, J. ,,	,,	5 8 4	
(3940)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk,	Architect's Department	25 0 0	
(3941)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer	,,	33 6 8	
(3942)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor	,,	12 10 0	
(3943)	Morgan, J. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3944)	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman	,,	14 11 8	
(3945)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk	,,	25 0 0	
(3946)	Pape, J. ,,	,,	16 13 4	
(3947)	White, C. W. ,,	,,	15 12 6	
(3948)	Chapman, W. ,,	,,	12 10 0	
(3949)	Welsh, R. ,,	,,	12 10 0	
(3950)	Knight, W. H. ,,	,,	12 10 0	
(3951)	Robertson, T. J. ,,	,,	9 3 4	
(3952)	Bailey, A. J. ,,	,,	7 0 0	
(3953)	Hogarth, R. ,,	Solicitor's Department	27 10 0	
(3954)	Hinchliff, G. ,,	,,	25 0 0	
(3955)	Fry, C. ,,	,,	23 6 8	
(3956)	Hertslet, F. ,,	,,	11 13 4	
(3957)	Bloomfield, E. ,,	,,	12 10 0	
(3958)	Scott, G. W. ,,	,,	10 0 0	
(3959)	Dickins, C., Record-room Keeper		8 6 8	
			997 6 10	
	NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(3960)	Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869		218 13 4	
				4,623 16 1
	FIRE BRIGADE.			
	ROYAL EXCHANGE ASSURANCE CORPORATION—			
(2413)	Half Year's Interest (less tax) on Loan of £30,000, due 17th April, 1870		624 4 5	
	BEVAN, N.—Receiver of Chimney-fire Penalties—			
(2414)	First monthly Advance on account of Salary, Quarter ending Mid-summer, 1870		16 13 4	
	COWAN, D., AND Co.—			
(2415)	Gas-fitting at sundry Stations		97 11 7	
	RENTS OF STATIONS, due Lady-day, 1870—			
(2416)	Jones, H.—Whitecross Street Station (Stabling) ..	£3 3 0		
(2417)	Boyd, Very Rev. A., per F. Dethridge—Paddington Station	24 9 7		
(2418)	Cotton, H. P.—per Boys and Tweedies—Fulham ,,	4 8 1		
	Carried forward	£32 0 8	738 9 4	4,623 16 1

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		Brought forward £32 0 8	738 9 4	4,623 16 1
	RENTS OF STATIONS—*(Continued)*.			
(2419)	Meakin, W. F.—St. Pancras .. .. ,,	6 17 1		
(2420)	Driffield, Rev. G. T.—Bow .. .. ,,	3 13 5		
(2421)	East and West India Docks Company—Poplar ,,	9 15 10		
(2422)	Fulham District Board of Works—Hammersmith ,,	9 15 10		
(2423)	Grover, J.—De Beauvoir Town .. .. ,,	4 0 0		
(2424)	Goldsmiths' Company—			
	Watling Street Station .. £36 7 10			
	Bishopsgate ,, .. 73 8 9			
		109 16 7		
(2425)	Greenwood, J.—Tooley Street Station	32 3 0		
(2426)	Greenwich Vestry—Greenwich ,, ...	8 11 4		
(2427)	Hackney Vestry—South Hackney ,, ...	5 17 6		
(2428)	Harrington, R.—Farringdon Street ,, ...	15 18 3		
(2429)	Jenkins and Abbott—Chandos Street ,, ...	6 14 8		
(2430)	Coventry, Sheppard, and Co., per H. Dewy—Lucas Street (Lodgings)	7 10 0		
(2431)	Lewisham, Guardians of the Poor of—Lewisham Station	4 17 11		
(2432)	East, Sir G. A. C., per Williams and James—Kennington Station	6 2 5		
(2433)	Middleton, Lady, per Patteson and Cobbold—Holborn Station	8 1 7		
(2434)	Normansell, F.—Little George Street (Stables) ..	9 15 10		
(2435)	Outhwaite, J.—Wellclose Square Station ..	40 7 10		
(2436)	Parry, J. A., per T. Berry—Brompton ,, ...	12 4 9		
(2437)	Paddington Vestry—Bayswater ,, ...	9 15 10		
(2438)	Portland, Duke of, per W. H. Skynner—Portland Road Station	14 13 9		
(2439)	Peart, Mrs. H.—Stoke Newington Station ..	14 13 9		
(2440)	Robbins, F.—Mile End ,, ..	7 10 0		
(2441)	Manning, C. J.—Highgate ,, ..	2 4 1		
(2442)	Starnes, J. S.—Ratcliff ,, ..	19 11 8		
(2443)	Whitechapel, Trustees of St. Mary—Whitechapel Station	7 6 10		
(2444)	Thompson, Rev. G., per Barclay and Co.—Regent Street Station	15 8 5		
(2445)	Tufnell, E. C., per E. C. Holmes—Islington Station	8 6 5		
(2446)	Union Assurance Office—Baker Street ,,	14 13 9		
(2447)	White, W.—Watling Street ,,	24 9 7		
(2448)	Webster, J.—Holborn (Stables)	7 10 0		
(2449)	Walton, J. W.—Old Kent Road Station	8 16 3		
(2450)	Whitbread and Co.—St. Luke's ,, ...	22 0 7		
(2451)	Warde, Admiral, per Bosworth and Brown, Bethnal Green Station	8 11 4		
			519 16 9	
				1,258 6 1
	FINSBURY PARK.			
	MORTON, F., & Co., Limited—			
(169)	Balance of Contract for Patent Strand Wire Fencing—Contract No. 148		92 12 8	
	COOK, R. J., & Co.—			
(170)	Lithography, January, 1870		9 18 0	
				102 10 8
	STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.			
	ISAACS, I.—			
(113)	Witness's Charges, *re* Fagg		4 4 0	
	SLOWMAN, A.—			
(114)	Summoning Officer's Fees—			
	Re Cox	£5 15 6		
	,, Fagg	4 14 6		
			10 10 0	
				14 14 0
	MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.			
	ASHURST, MORRIS, AND CO.—			
(31)	Taxed Costs, *re* Mercantile Credit Association		59 17 2	
		Carried forward	£59 17 2	5,999 6 10

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	59 17 2	5,999 6 10
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS. *(Continued).*			
HISCOX AND WILLIAMS, Contractors—			
(32) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Westminster Steam Boat Pier at Pimlico, Contract No. 150		4,000 0 0	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(33) Further on account of Plough Road, &c., Sewers, Rotherhithe (Sched. D.) Contract No. 133 ..	£630 0 0		
(34) Works under Jobbing Contract, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869 (Sched. D.)	26 5 9		
		656 5 9	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—			
(35) Fair Copying, October, 1869	£10 12 1		
Stamps	13 10 0		
	24 2 1		
Ditto November, 1869	£24 15 7		
Stamps	6 0 0		
	30 15 7		
Ditto December, 1869	£18 4 0		
Stamps	3 15 0		
	21 19 0		
		76 16 8	
			4,792 19 7
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.			
ECONOMIC LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY—			
(4) Second Instalment in repayment of Loan of £100,000, due 24th April, 1870.. ..			3,333 6 8
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.			
CHARTERED GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—			
(25) Gas supplied to Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending 31st March, 1870		14 3 10	
NEW RIVER COMPANY—			
(26) Half-year's Water-rent for Premises, Fountain Court and Beaufort Wharf, due Christmas, 1869		3 0 0	
			17 3 10
MANSION HOUSE STREET.			
WHITE, E., Collector—			
(45) One Quarter's Rate in lieu of Tithes, for Property taken, due Lady-day, 1870		14 6 0	
WARWICK, R. E., Collector—			
(46) Deficiency in Poor Rate, and Rate in lieu of Tithes, on Property taken to Christmas, 1869		48 10 10	
LEAMING, G., Collector—			
(47) Half-year's Rate in lieu of Tithes, for Property taken, due Christmas, 1869		12 8 3	
			75 5 1
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(8) *General*—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 30th March, 1870 ..	£541 11 5		
Petty Cash Payments—22nd March to 4th April, 1870 ..	54 8 0		
Collectors' Poundage—March, 1870	10 13 3		
Rates and Taxes for Premises used for Drainage Purposes	4 4 4		
Rewards for information leading to conviction of persons sweeping mud into Sewers	4 4 0		
		615 1 0	
Fire Brigade—			
Weekly Wages, Draughtsman—Two Weeks to 30th March, 1870	5 0 0		
Ditto, Firemen—Two Weeks to 2nd April, 1870 ..	1,025 4 0		
Carried forward	£1,030 4 0	615 1 0	14,218 2 0

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	£1,030 4 0	615 1 0	14,218 2 0
Fire Brigade—(Continued).			
Rent of Fire Escape Standings, due Lady-day, 1870 ..	8 15 3		
Expenses incurred by Receiver in collection of Chimney-fire Penalties, from 15th February to 26th March, 1870	36 10 4		
Rent of Lodgings for Firemen, March, 1870	111 10 6		
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations ..	7 12 6		
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 2nd April, 1870	3 2 0		
Superannuation Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service	6 2 0		
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, for sundry Stations ..	39 8 2		
		1,243 4 9	
Whitechapel Improvement—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 30th March, 1870		6 6 0	
Kensington Improvement—			
Fees to Clerk of Commissioners for Redemption of Land Tax		1 1 0	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers.			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks, to 30th March, 1870		50 15 0	
Chelsea Embankment—			
Weekly Wages—Week ending 23rd March, 1870		1 4 8	
Main Drainage Rate Collection—			
Collectors' Poundage, March, 1870		3 14 9	
Bills for Advertisements—April, 1869 to March, 1870—			
General Account	£9 4 0		
Fire Brigade	1 19 6		
Whitechapel Improvement	1 1 0		
Kensington „	2 3 6		
		14 8 0	
			1,935 15 2

THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.

Wages and Petty Disbursement—			
(9) *Thames Embankment, North*—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 30th March, 1870		23 8 0	
Mansion House Street—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 30th March, 1870 ..	£3 14 0		
Dangerous Structures Fee for No. 23, Bread Street Hill ..	0 17 6		
		4 11 6	
			27 19 6
Total			£16,181 16 8

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,

Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. P. MEADEN,
CHAS. HARRIS,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

The Inventories of Furniture, &c., referred to in the Report were laid before the Board. The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £16,181, 16s. 8d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the bonds and securities given to the Board be approved.

14. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 4th April, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Southern Embankment.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Binney—		
Phillips, John—Stamp Duty on Deed Poll		29 10 0
Re Davies and Nixon—		
Fraser, W. J.—One Year's Rent of Premises in Princes Street, to 29th September, 1869	24 0 0	
Less Tax	0 11 0	
		23 9 0
		£52 19 0

Your Committee have cancelled the following cheque which is no longer required, the amount being included in the cheque for £23 9s. 0d. reported above—No. 2167—*Re* Davies and Nixon—Three quarters' rent to Midsummer, 1869, less tax, £17 11s. 6d.

In compliance with the resolution of the Board of the 18th ultimo, (No. 59), your Committee have considered the letter from Mr. Hopwood, Secretary to the Metropolitan District Railway Company, stating, in reply to the letter from the Board, that the Blackfriars Station of the Company now in course of construction does not come within the provisions of the 61st section of the Metropolitan District Railway Act, 1864. The section referred to, it will be remembered, provides that the Company shall not, without the consent of the Board, construct any other stations under the Embankment and New Street to the Mansion House than those at Westminster-bridge, Charing-cross, and Norfolk-street. The railway and the proposed Station at Blackfriars, your Committee find, upon investigation, are not upon any land reclaimed by the Board from the Thames, nor in the line of the new street, though they will occupy the site of three houses pulled down by the Board on the east side of Chatham-place. This being the case, your Committee, having regard to the provisions of the Company's Act, are of opinion that no restriction is placed upon the Company with reference to this station, and that the consent of the Board is not required to its construction.

Your Committee have also considered the report of the Engineer, referred to them on the 18th ultimo, (No. 10), recommending the substitution of a granite-faced parapet wall for the earthen slope at the east end of the Thames Embankment, Contract No. 3, at an estimated cost of £2,000. Your Committee have inspected the portion of the Embankment referred to, and they concur in the view expressed by the Engineer that the architectural effect of the granite-faced wall will be better than that of the earthen slope as at present intended. They, therefore, beg to recommend that the work be executed at the estimated cost of £2,000, and that it be carried out by Mr. Webster under the schedule of prices attached to his contract for the Embankment.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, referred on the 18th December, 1868, (No. 69), on the subject of two improvements, one in Milman's-row, the other in King's-road and Fulham-road. The Vestry state that it is proposed to open up the south end of Milman's-row, which is a leading thoroughfare from the river to Kensington, by removing all the property east of a red line on the plan accompanying their application, at an estimated cost of £1,600. By the other improvement it is proposed to widen King's-road and Fulham-road near St. Mark's College at an estimated cost of £800. The Vestry express a hope that the Board will consider these improvements to be of a Metropolitan character and agree to contribute one-third of the cost. As regards the latter improvement, your Committee are not yet in a position to report their views to the Board, but they have carefully considered the portion of the application relating to Milman's-row, and have also inspected the locality. It appears to

them that the proposed widening of the thoroughfare will effect a very desirable improvement, a portion of the expense of which may very properly be borne by the Board. Your Committee accordingly recommend that the Board do contribute one-third of the cost of the proposed improvement of Milman's-row, such contribution to be independent of all legal and surveying charges and not to exceed £533 6s. 8d. and that it be paid to the Vestry of Chelsea on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have also directed their attention to the Memorial from ratepayers of Southwark, urging the Board not to appropriate to building purposes any portion of Southwark-park, referred by the Board on the 25th ultimo (No. 2). This is a question which has been frequently before the Board, and probably no subject has received more anxious and careful consideration. It is only natural that the inhabitants of those localities in which the Parks are situated, should desire to see them entirely devoted to the purposes of recreation, but the Board have always had in view the fact that, while the benefits of the Parks are in a measure confined to particular neighbourhoods, the cost of them has been borne by the whole of the metropolis. In justice to the general ratepayers, and having in view the necessity of provision being made for other localities, the Board felt bound to recoup themselves in some measure for the expenditure which has been incurred, and to abide by the original determination to devote a portion of the Parks to building purposes. Your Committee, on a consideration of the present Memorial, see nothing advanced which should induce the Board to alter the resolution already arrived at, and they recommend that the Memorialists be informed to that effect.

Your Committee have also considered the Memorial of the Vestrymen of St. Luke, Old-street, and the ratepayers of that and the neighbouring districts, with reference to a proposed new street from Old-street to Charterhouse-street, together with the resolutions of the Vestry of St. Luke in favour of the formation of the new street. The Memorialists represent the desirability of the formation of a main thoroughfare direct south-west from Goswell-road opposite Old-street, to Charterhouse-street, by which, they state, a considerable saving of time and distance would accrue to the public whose avocations and requirements lead them to the New Meat Market, Holborn, Oxford-street, and Westminster; and would afford a great relief, to the overcrowded thoroughfares of Fleet-street, Ludgate-hill, Bishopsgate-street, Cheapside, Barbican, and Long-lane; and would, without further alterations, be the quickest route for parties proceeding to the Eastern Counties Railway or the new Commercial-street from the West-end. They further urge that, considering its utility, the improvement could be carried out at a comparatively small cost. It may be remembered that a similar proposal was before the Board last year, it having been suggested by Mr. John Collier that a new street should be formed from Goswell-road, opposite Old-street, to the New Meat Market, instead of that proposed by the Board through Wilderness-row. Your Committee, in reporting upon Mr. Collier's suggestion, stated that they were of opinion that the plan was not of such a character as would justify the Board in departing from the decision they had arrived at with regard to Wilderness-row, and they, therefore, recommended that Mr. Collier's proposal should not be entertained. Your Committee have viewed the locality referred to in the Memorial now under consideration, and are of opinion that the Board would not be justified in undertaking the improvement. Your Committee beg to recommend that the Vestry of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Vestrymen and Ratepayers who have memorialised the Board on the subject, be informed that the Board are not prepared to undertake the improvement.

As requested by the Board on the 4th ultimo, (No. 6), your Committee have again given attention to the question of the desirability of their being authorised to draw cheques on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, in addition to the other Accounts from which they are now empowered by the Board to make payments. A further consideration of the subject has confirmed your Committee in the opinion already expressed by them, and they have, therefore, only to recommend the Board to approve their former recommendation, viz., that, having regard to the consolidation of the Board's Accounts, it is desirable that the Committee be authorised to draw cheques on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, in addition to the other Accounts upon which they are now empowered by the Board to draw cheques.

Your Committee have received from the Architect a Report of the particulars of the sale of the Board's ground rents in Southwark-street on the 25th January last. From this it appears that the gross amount realized was £80,180. Of this sum £12,100 represents the value of properties let at rack rents; the remainder, viz., £68,080, being the purchase-money of ground rents amounting to £2,505 10s. 0d. per annum, or an average of 27 1-6th years purchase. Your Committee beg to submit these facts for the information of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
WM. NEWTON,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That a granite-faced parapet wall be substituted for the earthen slope at the eastern end of the Thames Embankment, North (Contract No. 3), at an estimated cost of £2,000, and that the work be carried out by Mr. Webster, under the schedule of prices attached to his Contract for the Embankment.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Elt, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do contribute one-third of the cost of an improvement proposed to be effected by the Vestry of Chelsea, by opening up the south end of Milman's-row, at an estimated cost of £1,600; such contribution to be independent of all legal and surveying charges, and not to exceed £533 6s. 8d.; and that it be paid to the Vestry of Chelsea, on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Ratepayers of Bermondsey be informed, in reply to their Memorial urging the Board not to appropriate to building purposes any portion of the land in Southwark Park, that the Board see no reason to alter the decision already arrived at with regard to building in the Park.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the Vestry of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Vestrymen and Ratepayers who have memorialised the Board on the subject of the formation of a new street from Old-street to Charterhouse-street, be informed that the Board are not prepared to undertake the improvement.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Moreland—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, with instructions to communicate with the Merchant Taylors' Company and the Charterhouse authorities relative to the Improvement.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—13.

Beven, T., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.,
Dodd, H., Esq.,
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Moreland, J., Esq.
Newton W., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Taylor, Silas, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Roche.

Against the Amendment—20.

Adams, B. H., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.,
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Thompson, E. J., Esq.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Collinson.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Legg.—That, having regard to the consolidation of the Board's Accounts, the Works and General Purposes Committee be authorised to draw cheques on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account, in addition to the other Accounts upon which they are now empowered by the Board to draw cheques.

The motion having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—23.

Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Dodd, Henry, Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Moreland, J. A., Esq.
Nicholay, J., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Roche, C. M., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Collinson.

Against the Motion—2.

Richardson, G. B., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers,

And it was resolved accordingly.

15. Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor called attention to the Return with reference to the Fees, &c., of District Surveyors, presented on Friday last, and stated that certain of the District Surveyors did not appear to have furnished the required information as to their age and he moved—That the Clerk do require the District Surveyors in question to supply such information.

The motion having been seconded, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

16. A question having arisen as to the precedence given to Mr. Shaw's Notice of Motion on the subject of Tramways, inserted in the Requisition for the Special Board this day, resolved—That, in future, all Notices of Motion, whether intended for a Special or for an ordinary meeting of the Board, be taken into consideration in the order in which they shall be given.

17. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 5th April, 1870.

In accordance with the reference by the Board on the 1st instant (No. 7), your Committee have considered the Solicitor's Report with reference to proceedings taken before the magis-

trate for non-completion of the flagging of Collins-street, Garden-row, and Clyde-terrace, Lewisham. Mr. Brooker, the representative of the Lewisham District Board, has attended your Committee and assisted them in the details of the subject. They have also received verbal statements from the Solicitor as to the legal points involved, and they have arrived at the conclusion, with regard to Collins-street and Clyde-terrace, that, under all the circumstances, it is not desirable for the Board to take any legal proceedings. With regard, however, to Garden-row, as there appeared to be reason to believe that the roadway of that place was being used for carriage traffic, your Committee considered that the Board's Order should be enforced, and that the Solicitor, upon obtaining the necessary evidence, should take steps with that view; and, acting under the authority given to them by the terms of the reference by the Board, your Committee have instructed the Solicitor accordingly.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Messrs. Waterson and Co., on behalf of Mr. Blundell, for the approval by the Board of frontage lines for four proposed shops at the corner of Raglan-street and High-street, Forest-hill, Lewisham, referred to them by the Board on the 1st instant (No. 46). Mr. Brooker has furnished your Committee with verbal explanations with reference to this case, and they beg to recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the frontages be kept back 20 feet from the centre of the road; that the erections be only one storey in height; that the flank wall in Raglan-street be kept back to the line of the existing buildings, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 1st instant (No. 47), your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. A. Corbett, for the approval by the Board of an addition to a house next the "Hope Inn," Loampit-vale, Lewisham. Your Committee have received from Mr. Brooker a statement of the views of the District Board with regard to this application, and they are of opinion that, subject to the modification suggested by the District Board, the application may be granted; and they, therefore, recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed erection be kept back to a line parallel with, and 22 feet in the rear of, the kerb of the footpath; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Agreeably with the resolution of the Board of the 1st instant, (No. 55), your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman for the approval by the Board of one-storey shops to houses next Union-Grove, Wandsworth. Mr. Meaden, the representative of the Wandsworth District Board, has attended your Committee, and stated that the District Board object to the proposed shops, but, considering that there are already projections in the same line, your Committee are of opinion that, with certain restrictions, the sanction of the Board may be given to the shops in question, and they accordingly recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the shops be kept back 9 feet 8 inches from the outer edge of the kerb to the footway in front thereof; that the space in front be given up for the use of the public; that the flank wall of the house and shop next Union-grove be kept back 20 feet from the centre of the roadway in the Grove, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the subject of the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of Saint Margaret, &c., Westminster, referred by the Board on the 4th March last, (No. 5), and also the resolution of the Board of the 24th May, 1867, (No. 23), referring it to them to consider and report as to the desirability of translating District Surveyors from small districts to larger ones, as vacancies occur; and it appears to them desirable that on a vacancy occurring, the District Surveyors should be informed thereof in order that if any one of them should wish, on the ground of higher remuneration or change of locality, to take the vacant appointment, the Board might be in a position to make the desired change; and that no vacancy should be advertised until the Board have ascertained that none of the District Surveyors desired to fill it. Your Committee consider that, in

proposing such a mode of dealing with this question, they are only suggesting a plan by which promotion amongst the District Surveyors may be fairly carried out, and one which would be in accordance with the general principles prevailing in other branches of your establishment and in the public service. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of Saint Margaret, &c., and all District Surveyorships becoming vacant in future, be offered, in the first instance, to District Surveyors who may desire to be translated from their districts, and that vacancies be publicly advertised only when no District Surveyor desires to be transferred to the vacant district.

The Board, on the 25th February last, (No. 32), having referred it to your Committee to consider the Solicitor's Report as to the service of penal notices upon Mr. George Beard and Mr. John Abbott, with regard to the erection of premises in Pleasant-row, Walworth, they have now to report that they have received a Report from the Solicitor as to the proceedings before the Magistrate, and, as they find that the Magistrate's decision on the facts presented to him was adverse to the Board, they are of opinion that it is not desirable to take any further steps in the matter; and, acting upon the authority given by the terms of the reference to them, they have instructed the Solicitor accordingly.

In pursuance of your resolution of the 11th ultimo (No. 44), your Committee have considered the Report of the Superintending Architect and the letter of the District Surveyor with reference to the decision of the Magistrate as to the non-erection of a party-wall between the shops at Nos. 148A and 148B, Sloane-street. Some alterations have recently been made in these shops; and walls, half a brick in thickness, have been substituted for the party-walls before existing. In consequence of this, the District Surveyor took proceedings against the builder, but the magistrate dismissed the summons on the ground of uncertainty as to the shops being separate buildings within the meaning of the Act. Your Committee referred the case to the Conference now sitting on the subject of the amendment of the Building Act, with a view to provision being made in the Bill for meeting cases of a similar nature, and they beg to report that clauses have been drawn, and will be inserted in the Bill, with that object.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 25th ultimo (No. 74), they have considered the application of Messrs. Clutton, on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new roads and a mews to lead from Newington Butts to Pleasant-place, Walworth, and of names for the same. The plan in question includes a street, proposed to be called "Transit-street," which, at the end nearest to Newington Butts, would be only 35 feet in width, and to this the Vestry of Newington object, being of opinion that it ought to be made of the full width of 40 feet. Your Committee concur in the opinion, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the Report by the Superintending Architect, suggesting that, in addition to the fees allowed to a District Surveyor for inspecting a dangerous structure and attending the Police Court to give evidence, a further fee of five shillings should be allowed to him for each inspection made subsequently to the service of the notice, in order to ascertain whether the necessary works for securing the premises are in progress or completed, referred to them by the Board on the 18th ultimo (No. 46). It appears that no provision has yet been made for the payment of District Surveyors for the surveys they are required to make for the purpose of ascertaining if the orders of the magistrate for securing dangerous structures have been complied with. The practice is, for the District Surveyor to survey the premises at the expiration of the time allowed for doing the works, and to report if the order has been complied with; and, in case a summons has to be obtained against the owner for non-compliance, the Surveyor has to attend the Police Court to give evidence. Your Committee consider it necessary that a fee should be allowed for each inspection subsequent to the service of notice to the owner, and that five shillings is a fair and reasonable amount, and they, therefore, beg to recommend—

That an additional fee of five shillings be allowed to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done.

Your Committee have, in pursuance of your resolution of the 25th ultimo (No. 44), considered the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 466, Hackney-road. Your Committee find that if this shop be allowed, the house No. 464 will stand between two projections, and be injuriously affected as regards light and air. The owner of No. 464 strongly objects to the plan, and your Committee consider that it should not be sanctioned, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 25th ultimo (No. 51), they have considered the application of Mr. Henry Tolley, for the consent of the Board to the bringing out of the shop-front of the house No. 23, High-street, Bow. The house in question stands back some distance from the road, and, as there are projections on both sides, your Committee consider that no objection can be raised to that proposed, provided it does not exceed one foot. Your Committee, therefore, recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also considered the subject of the correspondence with Messrs. G. L. P. Eyre and Co., relative to the erection by Mr. Spicer of buildings at the corner of Love-lane and Brompton-road, referred to them by the Board on the 25th ultimo (No. 72). Messrs. Eyre complain of the erection in question on the ground that it will cause the entrance to Love-lane to remain less than 20 feet in width, although the remaining portion is 20 feet wide. Your Committee learn, however, that the portion of the building next Love-lane appears to have been erected on old foundations, and, in that case, the Board would be unable to interfere in the matter. Your Committee recommend that a communication to that effect be addressed to Messrs. Eyre and Co.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
C. H. ELT,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the non-completion of the paving of Collins-street and Clyde-terrace, Lewisham, be approved, and that no further proceedings be taken by this Board in the matter.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Messrs. Waterson and Co., on behalf of Mr. Blundell, for the approval by the Board of the line of frontage for four proposed shops at the corner of Raglan-street and High-street, Forest-hill, Lewisham, be granted, on condition that such frontages be kept back twenty feet from the centre of the road, that the erections be only one storey in height, that the flank wall in Raglan-street be kept back to the line of the existing buildings, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Mr. J. A. Corbett, for the approval by the Board of an addition to a house next the "Hope Inn," Loampit-vale, Lewisham, be granted, on condition that the proposed erection be kept back to a line parallel with, and twenty-two feet in the rear of the kerb of the footpath, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the approval by the Board of the frontage line of shops at the corner of Union-grove and Wandsworth-road, Clapham, be granted, on condition that the shops be kept back 9 feet 8 inches from the outer edge of the kerb of the footway in front thereof, that the space in front be given up for the use of the public, that the flank wall of the house

and shop next Union-grove be kept back 20 feet from the centre of the roadway in the Grove, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the consideration of so much of the Report as relates to future vacancies in District Surveyorships be adjourned until the next meeting of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the proceedings taken with regard to the erection of premises in Pleasant-row, Walworth, be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the subject of the non-erection of a party-wall between the shops at Nos. 148A, and 148B, Sloane-street, Chelsea, be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Messrs. Clutton, on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new roads and a mews to lead from Newington-butts to Pleasant-place, Walworth, and of the names "Transit-street," "Oakwood-street," and "Yarnald-mews," for the same, be not granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the consideration of that part of the Report which relates to the allowance of an additional fee of 5s. to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous structure subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done, be adjourned until the next meeting of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the consideration of that part of the Report which relates to the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 466, Hackney-road, be adjourned until the next meeting of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. Henry Tolley, for the permission of the Board to bring out the shop front at No. 23, High-street, Bow, be granted, on condition that the projection does not exceed one foot.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the correspondence with Messrs. G. L. P. Eyre and Co., relative to the erection, by Mr. Spicer, of Buildings at the corner of Love-lane and Brompton-road, be approved, and that Messrs. Eyre be informed that the portion of the building next Love-lane appears to have been erected on old foundations, and that the Board are, therefore, unable to interfere in the matter.

18. Read a letter as follows—

The Board of Works for the Lewisham District.
Grove-place, Lewisham, Kent, S.E., 7th April, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by this Board to apply to your Honourable Board for your consent to their borrowing the sum of Nine thousand pounds, to be expended in kerbing the footpaths and channelling the roads throughout a large portion of the Parish of Lewisham, the amount to be borrowed at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per cent. per annum, and to be repayable by equal annual instalments, extending over a period of 30 years, and to be charged upon the General Rate.

The average annual expenditure of Board for the last few years has been about £30,000 exclusive of sums raised in respect of the expenses of the Metropolitan Board.

The amount of debt on the Parish of Lewisham at Lady-day last was £14,400, and the rateable value of Lewisham Parish according to the County Rate of 1867 to 1868 is £196,170.

A Report (of which I enclose a copy) has been prepared by the Highways Surveyor of the Board, specifying the precise roads in which he proposes to lay down the kerbing and channelling, with the estimate of the cost of each road, and while the Board are not prepared to adopt the report in all its details, they have accepted it as affording a fair criterion of the work they are prepared to carry out, and have directed that application should be made to your Honourable Board for their sanction to £9,000 being borrowed for the purpose.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) SAML. EDWARDS,
Clerk to the Board.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens, S.W.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

19. Mr. Cook handed in a communication from the Board of Works for the Poplar District, which was read as follows—

Board of Works for the Poplar District,
291, East India Dock-road, E., 6th April, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—At a meeting of this Board yesterday I was directed to forward you the enclosed copy of our Surveyor's Report.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) S. JEFFRIES BARTH, Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.

INUNDATION—MANCHESTER-ROAD, ALL SAINTS, POPLAR.

GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with an Order of the Board on the 22nd ultimo,

I have to report upon two letters from Messrs. Morrison and Clifton complaining of their premises, situate No. 1, Oxford-terrace, and No. 5, Queen's-terrace, Manchester-road, being flooded on the 4th ultimo.

This inundation was caused by the main sewer, which is in charge of the Metropolitan Board of Works, being overcharged; consequently the district sewers were filled, from thence sewage and water found its way into the complainants' premises.

The overcharging of the Main Sewer may be traced by three sources, viz,—

A high tide, a heavy fall of rain, and mainly, if not entirely, from a new sewer built in the East Ferry-road at the expense of the Millwall Dock Company, and the entire of its contents is due to percolation.

Provision has been made by the Metropolitan Board of Works to prevent inundation by pumping the contents of the sewer into the river during the ebb and flow of the tide.

I think the better plan would have been to stop the flow of water from this sewer, pending the action between the Metropolitan Board of Works and the Millwall Dock Company.

(Signed) ROBERT PARKER, Surveyor,
5th April, 1870.

To the Board of Works for the Poplar District.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the said communication be referred to the Engineer, for report.

20. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **8th** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—SIR JOHN THWAITES, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

JOHN SAVAGE, ESQ.
COL. JAMES MACNAGHTEN HOGG.
JOHN SAMUEL PHILLIPS, ESQ.
JOSEPH MORELAND, ESQ.
EDWARD RIDER COOK, ESQ.
ROBERT TAYLOR, ESQ.
JOHN ORDE HALL, ESQ.
JOHN AUGUSTUS NICHOLAY, ESQ.
EDWARD DRESSER ROGERS, ESQ.
FRANCIS HEALEY, ESQ.
THOMAS BEVEN, ESQ.
HENRY LOWMAN TAYLOR, ESQ. DEPUTY.
WILLIAM HENRY DALTON, ESQ.
ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.
GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, ESQ.
SILAS TAYLOR, ESQ.
GEORGE HUDSON, ESQ.
WILLIAM ARNOLD HADDON HOWS, ESQ.
THOMAS JOHN WHITE, ESQ.
CHARLES HENRY ELT, ESQ.
WILLIAM NEWTON, ESQ.
EDWARD JOHN THOMPSON, ESQ.
WILLIAM CLARK, ESQ.
CYRUS LEGG, ESQ.
JOHN RUNTZ, ESQ.
THOMAS BRUSHFIELD, ESQ.
PHILIP HEMERY LE BRETON, ESQ.
FRANCIS HAYMAN FOWLER, ESQ.
EDWARD COLLINSON, ESQ.
CHARLES MILLS ROCHE, ESQ.
GEORGE PITNEY MEADEN, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.
HENRY BIDGOOD, ESQ.
WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, ESQ.
HENRY DODD, ESQ.
ALEXANDER NESBITT SHAW, ESQ.
CHARLES WESTERTON, ESQ.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens, 5th April, 1870.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 8th day of April, 1870, at half-past Twelve o'Clock p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

To consider Notice of Motion given—

By Mr. Shaw, on the 1st instant—

"To rescind that part of the resolution of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 40) to the effect—"'That the Board should be constituted the local authority for exercising all "the powers with regard to Tramways in the Metropolis.'"

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. It was moved by Mr. Shaw, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Nicholay—"That that part of the resolution of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 40) to the effect that the Board should be constituted the Local Authority for exercising all the powers with regard to Tramways in the Metropolis be rescinded."

The motion having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—10.		Against the Motion—25.	
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.	Clark, W., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Moreland, J., Esq.		Collinson, E., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Taylor, Ro ert, Esq.	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Newton. W., Esq.
		Dodd, H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
		Harris, C., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
		Healey, F., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
		Hogg, Col. J. M.	Westerton, C., Esq.
		Hudson, G., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Shaw.		Teller—Mr. Dalton.	

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **8th** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.

1. The Board considered further the Report of the Special Committee of the Whole Board on the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill, stating that, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the Districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of Local Government, and recommending that the subject be referred back to the Committee for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon—the consideration of which was adjourned by the Board on Friday last (No. 9).

It was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—That, in the opinion of the Board, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of local government; and that the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon.

After discussion it was **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the debate be adjourned until this day fortnight at One o'clock p.m.

2. It was **moved** by Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and **resolved**—"That the Board at its rising this day do stand adjourned to Friday, the 22nd instant, "and that no Committees be called (except in cases of emergency) between the 13th and "22nd of April."

3. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Roche seconded by Mr. Savage—"That it be referred to "the Works and General Purposes Committee to issue any notice they may approve, on "behalf of the Board, with reference to the Memorial from the Paddington Vestry on the "subject of the redistribution of members to the respective Wards of the Parish, with "a view to the matter being dealt with by the Board at their next meeting."

4. Mr. Cook, pursuant to notice, proceeded to call the attention of the Board to the frequent complaints of the emission of effluvia from the ventilating shafts and other openings in the Main Sewers in the Poplar District, and to the Engineer's Reports upon the communications on the subject from the Poplar District Board of Works; and **moved** "That the Engineer do "present a Return of the depth of Sewage in the well from which it is pumped at Abbey Mills, "at 6. a.m., 12 noon, 6.0 p.m., 12.0 midnight (if the Returns kept will enable it to be supplied, "or, if not, at such hours as the depth may have been observed) each day during the last six "months of the year 1869, and also, that he do furnish the difference between the level of such "well and the bottom of the Low Level Sewer at the points of junction of the Isle of Dogs "Branch and the Hackney Brook Branch Sewers with it."

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Runtz, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

5. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—"That Returns be made to the Board (in continuation of those ordered in June, 1869) of all "Streets re-named and numbered, and the number of names of streets and places abolished, "with alphabetical lists of all such names contained in both Returns."

6. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the following **motion** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until the next meeting, viz., "That he will move that, inasmuch as many of the large Engineering Works "entrusted to this Board are either completed or are near completion, it be referred to the "Works and General Purposes Committee to consider the present arrangements and expenses "of the Engineer's Department and report if any alteration can be made."

7. The Clerk laid before the Board the following statement—

REPORT of Receipts in respect of the assessments made by the Metropolitan Board of Works for raising the Rate on account of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and also for raising the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, on the 8th day of April, 1870, for the year 1870.

No.	Parishes, Districts, and Parts.	Paid to the Treasurer to the 7th day of April, 1870, inclusive.	Unpaid on the 8th day of April, 1870.		Total unpaid on the 8th day of April, 1870.
			Due 26th March, 1870 (In default)	Due 24th June, 1870.	
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	City of London	22,129 11 7	..	22,129 11 7	22,129 11 7
2	Saint Marylebone	12,125 1 6	..	12,462 10 1	12,462 10 1
3	Saint Pancras	11,394 7 3	..	11,631 1 11	11,631 1 11
4	Lambeth	..	7,806 1 6	10,448 10 7	18,254 12 1
5	Saint George, Hanover-sq.	..	12,794 19 0	13,169 10 2	25,964 9 2
6	Islington, Saint Mary	10,072 6 0	..	10,110 14 11	10,110 14 11
7	Shoreditch, Saint Leonard	..	4,572 17 7	4,595 0 4	9,167 17 11
8	Paddington	9,429 10 7	..	9,480 1 4	9,480 1 4
9	Saint Matthew, Bethnal-green	..	2,847 0 7	3,027 0 4	5,874 0 11
10	Saint Mary, Newington,	..	2,843 12 8	3,867 14 6	6,711 7 2
11	Camberwell	..	3,838 11 3	4,980 11 9	8,819 3 0
12	Saint James, Westminster	..	5,290 13 10	5,404 9 5	10,695 3 3
13	Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell	..	2,726 11 10	2,745 10 5	5,472 2 3
14	Chelsea	..	3,345 19 0	3,401 17 10	6,747 16 10
15	Kensington, St. Mary Abbott	..	8,475 14 2	8,687 2 0	17,162 16 2
16	Saint Luke, Middlesex	..	2,533 8 2	2,547 15 7	5,081 3 9
17	Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark	1,779 16 3	..	2,451 14 7	2,451 14 7
18	Bermondsey	2,925 0 0	..	2,514 3 1	2,514 3 1
19	Saint George-in-the-East	..	2,107 2 1	2,311 2 7	4,418 4 8
20	Saint Martin-in-the-Fields	3,108 2 0	..	3,114 3 3	3,114 3 3
21	Hamlet of Mile-End Old Town	..	2,650 17 2	2,910 0 2	5,560 17 4
22	Woolwich	..	879 9 4	879 9 4	1,758 18 8
23	Rotherhithe	..	1,270 7 1	1,615 6 4	2,885 13 5
24	Saint John, Hampstead	..	2,458 2 0	2,478 17 5	4,936 19 5
25	Whitechapel District	..	3,365 12 11	3,708 16 0	7,074 8 11
26	Westminster ditto	..	4,747 0 4	4,862 19 2	9,609 19 6
27	Greenwich ditto	..	3,627 1 11	4,892 7 9	8,519 9 8
28	Wandsworth ditto	..	5,891 4 5	6,988 6 0	12,879 10 5
29	Hackney ditto	5,944 9 11	..	6,284 12 8	6,284 12 8
30	Saint Giles ditto	..	3,292 19 10	3,355 14 0	6,648 13 10
31	Holborn ditto	..	2,321 16 3	2,389 15 9	4,711 12 0
32	Strand ditto	..	3,252 14 7	3,262 18 2	6,515 12 9
33	Fulham ditto	..	2,916 4 7	3,923 6 3	6,839 10 10
34	Limehouse ditto	..	2,807 8 6	3,022 10 11	5,829 19 5
35	Poplar ditto	..	4,981 16 2	5,010 14 10	9,992 11 0
36	Saint Saviour's ditto	1,982 18 1	..	2,850 13 11	2,850 13 11
37	Plumstead ditto	..	2,112 14 11	2,434 14 6	4,547 9 5
38	Lewisham ditto	..	3,041 8 3	3,041 8 4	6,082 16 7
39	Saint Olave ditto	..	1,432 8 9	1,953 18 0	3,386 6 9
40	The Charter House	20 1 0	..	20 4 5	20 4 5
41	Gray's Inn	137 1 9	..	142 11 11	142 11 11
42	The Collegiate Close of St. Peter	..	18 3 0	18 3 1	36 6 1
43	Inner Temple	..	179 4 8	179 4 9	358 9 5
44	Middle Temple	..	117 5 9	117 5 10	234 11 7
45	Lincoln's Inn	..	159 19 7	159 19 8	319 19 3
46	Staple Inn	23 5 6	..	23 5 7	23 5 7
47	Furnival's Inn	28 11 7	..	28 11 8	28 11 8
48	Willesden	..	..	..	..
49	Acton	..	..	149 7 5	149 7 5
50	Ealing	..	..	45 15 5	45 15 5
51	Southampton-buildings	..	..	0 7 9	0 7 9
52	Lambeth Palace	..	..	9 8 8	9 8 8
53	Deptford Dockyard	..	..	5 7 10	5 7 10
54	Borough Market	2 3 0	..	..	..
55	Chiswick	..	..	28. 6 11	281 6 11
56	Croydon	..	..	36 2 2	36 12 2
57	Richmond	..	..	..	..
	Total £	81,102 6 0	110,706 11 8	206,164 8 10	316,871 0 6
	Total Amount of Precepts—	£397,973 6 6			

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned for a period of four weeks from this date.

8. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Instrument of Appointment—

I, Henry Austin Bruce, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by an Act for "the better Local Management of the Metropolis," appoint William Andoe, Esq., to be the Auditor of the Accounts of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the year ended the Twenty-fifth day of March, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Whitehall, the 1st day of April, 1870.

William Andoe, Esquire, to Audit the Accounts of the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the year ended 25th March, 1870.

(Signed) H. A. BRUCE. L.S.

Resolved—That it be referred to the Finance Committee to prepare a Report of the proceedings of the Board for the past year, as required under the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and that such Report be submitted to the Board for approval.

Resolved—That the Statement and Account of the amount of Contracts entered into, of moneys received and expended, and the several other matters directed by the 192nd Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, during the past year, be prepared forthwith.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th April, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
Proposed new street, running into Curzon-street, May Fair	256	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

10. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 7th April, 1870.

On Letter from Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Dr. Thomas, relative to the alleged damage done to his houses Nos. 5, 6, and 7, Leicester-street, Poplar, in the execution of the Board's Sewerage works.

Dr. Thomas was lately served by the Board with a notice, under the Dangerous Structures Act, to take down the front walls and execute other necessary works to his three houses in Leicester-street; but it is alleged by his Solicitors that these defects are due to the execution of the sewerage works in front, they therefore request that their client may be relieved from complying with the notice, and that the Board will themselves perform all that is necessary for the reinstatement; but they add that, pending the consideration of the matter by the Board, instructions have been given for everything to be done that may be requisite for preventing danger to the public.

Since the receipt of this letter, I have had the houses examined, they are in a very dilapidated condition, most of the cracks appear to be old, but there are some few new, or extensions of the old cracks. The sewerage works alleged to have caused the settlements were the laying down, in December last, of about 100 feet of 18 inch pipe by Messrs. Hill and Keddell, under their General Contract, and by the Order of the Board of the 26th November last (No. 9); and as the liability for any damage caused by their works attaches to them under the 9th clause of the Contract, a copy of the letter has been forwarded to them, and their prompt attention requested thereto. I recommend that Messrs. East and Funston be so informed.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Messrs. East and Funston be informed to the effect thereof.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th April, 1870, with reference to the present state of health of William Rist, formerly employed by the Board as a Clerk of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th April, 1870, on a further letter from Mr. C. Etherington, relative to alleged damage sustained by Mr. J. Hopkins, from the overflow of sewage water into his premises, Orchard-place, East Acton, on the occasion of the heavy rain on the 4th ultimo, and complaining of the want of gullies for taking off the surface drainage; stating the facts, and recommending the Board to adhere to their decision declining to admit their liability, that Mr. Etherington be informed thereof, and that the provision of the requisite gullies for carrying off the surface drainage does not devolve upon this Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Etherington be informed accordingly.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th April, 1870, on a letter from Mr. T. Woolf, No. 13, Church-street, Millbank, applying for compensation for alleged loss sustained from the noise and vibration caused by the pumping engine in use at the Low Level Sewerage Works near his house; stating that the use of the engine would, it was anticipated, be dispensed with in the course of a few days; that there was nothing in the case to distinguish it from that of others in the immediate vicinity of whose premises like works had been carried out, and whose claims had not been entertained, and recommending that it be similarly dealt with.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th April, 1870, on a letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, relative to the construction of a sewer in Riley-street, with a temporary outlet into the river Thames; stating that the Vestry allege that the old pipe sewer in Riley-street is completely choked up, that they therefore proposed to construct a new one, but with the current reversed into the Low Level Line, that until the latter was available for the purpose, they wish the Board to sanction the outlet being into the river, and that, in his opinion, the Board had no power to sanction such an arrangement, and suggesting that the Vestry should be requested to cleanse and maintain the old sewer until the Low Level Line is carried out.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to the Vestry of Chelsea.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th April, 1870, requesting the sanction of the Board to his giving a professional opinion upon certain plans and estimates, prepared by M. Bouffon, for precipitating the alluvial deposit of the river Durance upon some unclaimed lands adjoining.

Resolved—That the request of the Engineer be acceded to.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th April, 1870, recommending the execution of the following Works under the General Contracts, viz.—

	Estimate.
Repairs to Self-acting Tide-flap at Earl Outlet	£26 0 0
Three flushing shafts on Thames Embankment South, by Messrs. Doulton and Stiff's Subway and Dock, and by White Hart Dock	22 10 0
One side entrance in White Post-lane Branch Sewer, Victoria-road	20 0 0
Southern Outfall Works, Crossness—200 feet of 12-inch Stoneware pipe, for connecting Reservoir with settling pond	30 0 0
	£98 10 0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account.

17. Read a Report by the Solicitor as follows—

Blackheath Common.

I present printed Notice and Draft Scheme, and beg to report that copies of the Plans were deposited at the Greenwich Local Board Office and at the Alexandra Rooms, Blackheath, and copies of the Notices were posted on the several Churches, Chapels, and other public places, &c., as described in the lists appended hereto, and I find that the Inclosure Commissioners have inserted advertisements in the "Times," the "South London Journal," and the "Kentish Mercury."

The lists, &c., referred to in the Report, were laid before the Board.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board a License, in duplicate, to Mr. W. Boutcher to assign his Agreement made with the Board on the 7th January last for Leases of property at Kensington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License and Duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Bill introduced into the House of Commons by Mr. Stapleton, Colonel Stepney, and Dr. Brewer, to make provision respecting the supply of water to the Metropolis on Sundays.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

20. The Solicitor reported that the Railways Powers Construction Bill was deferred until the 28th instant, and that it had not yet been circulated.

21. The Solicitor also reported that the Gas and Water Facilities Bill stood deferred until the 28th instant, and that he had not yet been able to obtain copies of the Bill.

22. The Solicitor also reported that the Metropolitan Building Act Amendment Bill stood for second reading on the 25th instant.

23. The Solicitor also reported that the Metropolitan Railway Company's Bill, as amended, was considered last Tuesday, and ordered to be read a third time, and had been fixed for third reading this day; that the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill, as amended, would be considered by the House of Commons to-night, and that notice of a motion had been given by Mr. Crawford, to postpone the further consideration of the Bill until the 26th instant, and to print the evidence taken before the Select Committee at the expense of the opponents of the Bill, together with a plan of the proposed extension of the railway to the Mansion House and of the station accommodation to be there provided, and showing the relation of such extension to the authorised line of Inner Circle communication with Tower-hill.

24. The Solicitor also reported that the Committee on the Government Tramways Bill sat yesterday with closed doors, and that at present he was unable to learn what had taken place.

25. The Solicitor also reported that the Gas Company's Bill had been referred to group L, but that no day as yet had been fixed for the Meeting of the Committee.

26. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Alderman Lawrence had withdrawn his motion on the subject of the House Tax.

27. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the next meeting of the Board to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting of the Board.

28. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls had not yet given his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

29. The Solicitor also reported that Lord Elcho's motion on the subject of the control over the execution of public works, and the erection of public buildings in the Metropolis, had not yet been considered by the House of Commons.

30. The Solicitor reported that the following notice had been given—Mr. William Henry Smith, M.P.—To ask the First Lord of the Treasury if he has received a Memorial from the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, the Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, and numerous representative Bodies of the Metropolis against building upon Crown Land lately reclaimed from the Thames by the Thames Embankment at the expense of the ratepayers of London; and whether he will give the Memorialists an assurance that no arrangement shall

be made for the appropriation of the site until after the publication of the annual report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

31. The Solicitor also reported that the North Metropolitan Railway Bill had been read a third time and passed in the House of Commons, and that a Clause had been added to the Bill, but that it did not affect the Board.

32. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Bill brought in by Mr. Bourke, M.P., with reference to the Stamp Duty on Leases for removing doubts as to the construction of that portion of the 16th Section of the Act, 17 and 18 Vic., cap. 83, relating to Stamp Duties.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration and report.

33. The Solicitor reported, with respect to Mr. Thirst's action against the Board, that the Plaintiff had given notice of trial, and he suggested that the Board would refer the issues to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive relating to the matters of the action.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee accordingly.

34. The Solicitor presented a notice of action of ejectment received from Messrs. Withall and Compton, the Solicitors of Mr. H. L. Holland, with regard to certain land adjacent to Nos. 45 to 55, Sloane-square, Chelsea, occupied by the Board.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

35. The Solicitor presented a notice of claim, on behalf of Mr. William Emery, with respect to property at Poplar, and reported that he had sent the contractor, Mr. Webster, a copy thereof, and he laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, dated 2nd April, 1870, asking the Board's permission to defend the proceedings in their name by his own solicitors, and undertaking to indemnify the Board from all liability in respect of the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be acceded to.

36. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of a letter from Captain E. Burstal, Secretary to the Thames Conservancy, addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Trade, with reference to the withdrawal of certain clauses from the Thames Navigation Bill, and reported that the Committee on the Bill was fixed for the 26th instant.

37. The Solicitor presented the Contract with Messrs. Aitchison and Walker for the erection of a Fire Engine Station in Evelyn-street, Deptford, duly executed by the Contractors.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

38. The Solicitor presented a letter as follows—

London and South-Western Railway.
Law Clerk's Office, Waterloo-bridge Station, S.E.,
London, April 7th, 1870.

My Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter to the Secretary of the 24th ultimo, respecting the removal of the fence in front of two cottages at Heathfield, near Wandsworth-common, to a distance of 20 feet from the centre of the road, I have to call your attention to the fact that these cottages were erected within the Company's fences on the line of railway sanctioned by the Company's Act of 1834. The funds for erecting these cottages are to be provided by the Local Board and your own Board of Works.

Moreover, the Company have special powers vested in them under their Act of Incorporation, which would not, I imagine, be overridden by anything contained in the 25th and 26th Vict., c. 162 the cottages in question being used for the occupation of the Company's servants only.

This being the first time that the point has been raised that I am aware of, I would suggest, that we should agree upon a special case, for the purpose of deciding the question at issue between us.

It cannot be the desire of either Board to incur unnecessary expense in litigation.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) L. CROMBIE.

W. Wyke Smith, Esq.

The Solicitor reported that he had sent a copy of the foregoing letter to the Wandsworth District Board, and he suggested that the Board would probably instruct him to agree to a special case or to take such other steps as might be necessary for protecting the Board's interests.

Resolved—That the suggestion be acted upon, and that the Solicitor be authorised accordingly.

39. The Solicitor presented a Copy of the Report of the Rivers Pollution Commission.

Resolved—That the Clerk do send a copy of the said Report to each Member of the Board.

40. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
8th April, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are four applications for licenses, and one for transfer of license.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June, and that the license granted to Mr. S. Goodly, be transferred to Mr. G. Angell.

I submit a Special Report as to Messrs. Pirkis and Son's application for a license for 122, Downham-road, Islington.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the License granted on the 23rd December, 1869, to Mr. S. Goodly, (12,608), be transferred to Mr. George Angell, of No. 2, New-road, Woolwich.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the manner stated below, for a period of two calendar months and twenty-two days from the 8th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
HACKNEY	Pirkis and Son	14,974	6, High Street, Stoke Newington	5	Yard P. d.
ST. GEORGE HANOVER SQUARE	Lewis, David Jno.	14,986	13, Upper Tachbrook Street, Pimlico	2 qts.	Shop btls.
WOOLWICH	Molloy, Charles	14,975	57, Beresford Street	5	Yard P. d.

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Pirkis and Son, of No. 122, Downham-road, Islington, relative to the sale of Benzoline.

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that a License is not required for Petroleum not kept or sold on his premises.

41. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Murton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house No. 237, Cambridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

42. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Reed, for the consent of the Board to the erection of wooden barge boards to a stable about to be erected at the rear of No. 15, Woodlands-terrace, Blackheath, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

43. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Henry Kingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building at the corner of Farm-street and Uxbridge-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage in Uxbridge-street be kept within a line drawn from the warehouse, No. 3 Uxbridge-street, to the first newly erected shop westward, and that the frontage in Farm-street be kept in a line with that of the adjoining houses; that the corner of the building be cut off so as to form a splay 6 feet in width; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. H. Dyball, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a photographic studio upon the lead flat of the shop at No. 10, Grove-terrace, Uxbridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the application be not granted.

45. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. Hawkins, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves and barge boards to two detached villas in course of erection in Esdaile-road, Upper Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

46. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. T. Eastman, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to four houses in Castledine-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

47. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. J. Alvey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shop at the corner of Rockingham-street and Tiverton-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed building in Rockingham-street be kept back in a line with the forecourts on the east side of Tiverton-street, and in Tiverton-street to a line parallel with the pavement, and five feet back from the present line of frontage; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Raphael Brandon, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for St. Saviour's National Schools, in Shirland-road and Formosa-terrace, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on a renewal of the application of Mr. J. Gore, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house No. 181, Old Kent-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, the Order of the Board of the 28th of May, 1869, (No. 49) not having been complied with within the time therein specified.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the proposed shop and the back line of the existing pavement be paved by the applicant, and be added to the public footway within three months from the present time, so as to increase the width of the pavement to 14 feet 6 inches for the entire length of the shop; that the entablature of the shop be made to range with that of the adjoining shop, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Snooke and Stock, on behalf of Messrs. Peek, Frean, and Co., for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open van shed at their stable-yard in Drummond-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted.

51. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Wridgway, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an addition to a photographic studio in the rear of the house No. 267, Fulham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

52. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alfred Bird, for the consent of the Board to retain a summer-house erected in the rear of Spring-cottage, South-street, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the garden wall be raised as a gable nine inches higher and wider on each side than the roof and sides of the shed.

53. Greenwich—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lewis and Stockwell, for the approval by the Board of a shed already erected, and for permission to erect another shed on the boundary of their premises on the bank of the Thames at Blackwall Point, East Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the sheds be constructed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

54. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Church and Rickwood, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of two furnace chimney-shafts at the Woolwich Union, Plumstead.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundations of the proposed shafts be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

55. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Limn, on behalf of Messrs. Bullivant and Allen, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of a furnace chimney-shaft at their wire rope works, Millwall.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the present structure be found to be sound and substantial to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

56. St. George, Hanover-square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beck and Lee, on behalf of the Improved Industrial Dwellings Company, for the consent of the Board to the construction of fireproof balconies or accesses and roofs to the Improved Industrial Dwellings, in Ebury-square, Pimlico, and for permission to omit party walls in the roof, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the girders supporting the galleries be formed of a section and strength satisfactory to the District Surveyor.

57. Strand.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Burroughes and Watts, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft in the rear of the premises No. 3, Hollen-street, Soho.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundations of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

58. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. W. Aries, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an ornamental verandah at Blenheim Lodge, Putney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

59. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. N. Clifton, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an approach road and new roads on the Westcroft Park Estate, Hammersmith.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be not granted.

60. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. N. Lockington, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of High-street, Homerton, and of the name "Sedgwick-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

61. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Chester Foulsham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings on the west side of Queen's-road, Edgware-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

62. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. D. Lown, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new streets and a footway on a plot of land situate on the west side of Pembroke-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that each of the proposed streets be made 40 feet in width and in direct continuation of Gifford and Freeling-streets, that the footway be lengthened so as to connect the two streets and be paved throughout, and that the name "Cardale-street" be approved.

63. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. F. and H. Francis, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the alteration of a mews at Craven-terrace, Bayswater, and for its re-formation as a public roadway forty feet wide, and requesting the Board to stop the present thoroughfare, and give notice to the owners of property to contribute their share of the cost of the improvement.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

64. City of London.—Read a communication from Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Western Division of the

City of London, dated 31st March, 1870, notifying that a house was about to be erected in Bear-alley, Farringdon-street, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, did, on the 31st day of March, 1870, give notice to this Board, that he, the said Rawlinson Parkinson, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a house in Bear-alley, Farringdon-street, within the District aforesaid; and the said Rawlinson Parkinson, has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Edward Power, Surveyor of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edward Power is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

65. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Lee, on behalf of Mr. Leader, for the substitution of the name "Ulva-road" for "Ulva-street," for a road at Putney, approved by the Board on the 21st January last (No. 71).

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted.

66. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 9), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Alpha Road, &c.	Marylebone.
St. John's Wood Road, &c. . .	Do.
Campden Hill Road	Kensington.
Somerset Street, &c.	Whitechapel and City of London.
Wilton Road, &c.	St. George, Hanover Square.
Bennett Street, &c.	Greenwich.
Bear Lane, &c.	Do.
Marlborough Street, &c.	Do.
London Street, &c.	Do.
Pelton Road, &c.	Do.
Thames Street, &c.	Do.
Blissett Street, &c.	Do.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

67. The Clerk reported that an error had occurred in drawing up the Order of the Board of the 11th February last (No. 8), for the re-numbering, &c., of the houses in Tavistock-road Kensington, by the omission of the parish of Paddington therefrom.

Resolved—That the Order of the Board of the 11th February last (No. 8), for the re-numbering, &c., of Tavistock-road in the parishes of Kensington and Paddington, be not further acted upon.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 1st day of February, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Tavistock-road, in the respective parishes of Saint Mary Abbott, Kensington, and Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1004, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 83, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with

92, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Great Western-road; that the names Tavistock-terrace, Brentwood-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Tavistock-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Tavistock-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the respective Vestries of Kensington and Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the foregoing Order and of the Plan referred to therein.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Order and Plan respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

68. The Clerk presented a Letter from Mr. E. W. James, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board, dated 1st April, 1870, calling attention to their application for the Order of this Board for affixing the names Vanbrugh-park-road, Vanbrugh-park-road East, and Vanbrugh-park-road West, Blackheath, at the corners of those streets respectively, and requesting that the Order might be passed as early as practicable.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

69. Read the following communications—

Temple House, East Ham, April, 6th, 1870.

To the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith forward you a certificate from my medical adviser, Mr. Hird, relative to the state of my health.

I regret that I am prohibited from attending personally to thank you for the manner in which you have dealt with my application for a retiring allowance. I, therefore, beg respectfully to tender to you in writing my earnest and heartfelt acknowledgements for the kindness you have extended towards me, and I shall ever reflect with pleasure upon the period of my life which has been devoted to the service of the Board in carrying out the large and important works in connection with the Main Drainage and Thames Embankment of this great Metropolis.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) EDM$^{D.}$ COOPER.

(CERTIFICATE.)

13, Old Burlington Street, W.

I certify that Mr. Cooper, although much improved in health, is permanently disabled by a late apoplectic seizure from pursuing his profession of an Engineer, the duties of which often require him to be underground for a considerable time, and to be exposed to wet and cold.

It would also be dangerous to Mr. Cooper, and might induce another attack of a similar kind, were he to devote much time to office work or to enter into intricate calculations.

(Signed) J. HIRD, M.D.,

2nd April, 1870. Surgeon to Charing Cross Hospital.

70. The Clerk presented a Report by Dr. Letheby, dated 2nd April, 1870, of results of daily testings of gas supplied to the Metropolis by the Gas Light and Coke Company during the months of January, February, and March of this year.

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

71. The Clerk presented the following letter—

St. George-in-the-East, Middlesex.

Vestry Hall, Cable Street, 4th April, 1870.

DEAR SIR—I am instructed by the Vestry of this Parish to request you to be good enough to convey an expression of their thanks to the Metropolitan Board of Works for the manner in which the Board conducted before the Committee of the House of Commons, the opposition to the proposals of the Metropolitan Railway, and the Metropolitan District Railway, to abandon the completion of the "Inner Circle" system of Railway communication, and which has secured the extension without further delay of the Metropolitan Railway to Aldgate, an extension which cannot fail to be of great public convenience, especially to the Eastern district of the Metropolis.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THO$^{S.}$ G. HARRISON, Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

72. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Paddington. Vestry Hall, Harrow-road,
6th April, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I have to inform you that the Vestry at their meeting yesterday passed the following resolutions—

That, in the opinion of the Vestry, it is undesirable to alter the name of Kensal-road, it being the only thoroughfare of that name in the metropolis.

That an application be made to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for them to pass an Order for numbering the house now known as No. 9A, Stanhope-place, under the designation of No. 46, Connaught-square, and the house known as No. 10A, Stanhope-place as No. 91, Seymour-street.

That an application be made to the Metropolitan Board of Works, requesting them to designate that portion of the Harrow-road, extending from the Edgware-road to the "Dudley Arms" Public House, as "Bishop's-road," and the thoroughfare extending from the "Dudley Arms" to Warwick-road Bridge, as "Warwick-road."

That, with respect to the proposed building line for shops, &c., on eastern side of Craven-terrace, it is most desirable, in the opinion of this Vestry, that such application be approved, and that every facility be given for carrying out such improvement.

That, with respect to the amended applications for frontage of school-buildings at the corner of Shirland-road and Formosa-terrace, the Vestry have no objection to offer thereto.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. The Clerk presented a letter from the Rev. T. G. Atkinson, dated 7th April, 1870, with a Memorial from householders in Colney Hatch Park, requesting the Board to direct that place to be re-named "New Southgate."

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

74. Mr. Roche, by leave of the Board, modified the **motion** of which he had given notice, and **moved**—"That the Resolution of the Board of the 25th March last, (No. 9), ordering the name "'Paddington Green-road' to be applied to that portion of the Harrow-road which lies "between Edgware-road and the Bishop's-road Bridge be referred to the Building Act "Committee, for consideration and report."

The **motion** having been seconded, was put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Adjourned until Friday, the 22nd instant, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 15.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Robert Freeman, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Henry Dodd, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 8th instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. A Deputation from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, introduced by Mr. Richardson, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Thomas Norfolk, Chairman; Mr. J. L. Lovibond, Mr. W. T. Hunt, Mr. James Spencer, Mr. William Maslin, and Mr. E. W. James, Clerk, and Mr. J. R. Smith, Engineer to the District Board, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District.

Respectfully Sheweth—

That your Memorialists have been informed that notwithstanding the strong and urgent representations which were made to your Honorable Board by your Memorialists two years ago in opposition to the construction of Storm Outlets near the Pumping Station at Greenwich, for discharging storm waters and sewage into the River Ravensbourne at Deptford Creek, it has been referred to a Committee of your Board to carry that most objectionable measure into execution.

That your Memorialists were greatly surprised and have learnt with much regret that your Honorable Board, after having been repeatedly made acquainted with the objections entertained by your Memorialists to the proposed measure, should have taken such a step without any official intimation or communication being made to them of your intention.

That your Memorialists consider it unnecessary for them to repeat all the reasons and arguments already so frequently urged against the construction of the proposed additional Outlets, as well as their remonstrances against the continuation of the nuisance already existing from the present Outlets on the Deptford side of the Creek, near Messrs. Kingsford's Mill, all of which reasons and arguments are now as cogent as they were at the time their former Memorial and Letters on this subject were addressed to your Honorable Board.

That your Memorialists have advised with Counsel and have determined to take all lega means in their power to prevent the increased nuisance which must inevitably be occasioned by the proposed additional Outlets, but before proceeding further to hostile measures, and incurring heavy expenses (which however will not deter them from such proceedings if found necessary), your Memorialists are induced once more to address your Honourable Board under a hope that upon a renewed representation of the case, some other course may be taken to effect the object which it appears your Board has in view.

In seeking to avert the threatened evil, your Memorialists have been in communication with Robert Rawlinson, Esquire, C.B., whose position and high standing as an eminent Engineer is well known to your Honorable Board; and having conferred with him at considerable length on the subject, after inspecting the Plans and observing the proposed situation of the additional Outlets, he was clearly of opinion "that the most proper course for the Metropolitan Board of Works to pursue is not to discharge the storm waters from the sewers into Deptford Creek by means of the proposed Outlets, which he felt satisfied must prove a serious nuisance; but to construct another sewer from the Greenwich Pumping Station to discharge into the River Thames at low water at some convenient place near the mouth of the Creek; which, by the Plans, appeared to be about three-quarters of a mile from the Pumping Station, and, although this would be more expensive it was nevertheless far preferable to the Storm Outlets proposed by your Honorable Board."

That your Memorialists having been thus kindly permitted to use Mr. Rawlinson's name in offering the above suggestion to your Honorable Board, trust that it may be the means of bringing this matter to a satisfactory conclusion; and they confidently hope that on further consideration your Board will be induced to adopt a different course from that they had proposed for attaining the object in view, which, however needful to relieve the Southern Outfall Sewers and the reservoirs and works at Crossness (confessedly insufficient for the purposes intended) ought not to be achieved by causing a serious public nuisance, in direct opposition to the oft repeated remonstrances and objections of the inhabitants, expressed through the Local Authority of the District.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honorable Board will be pleased to reconsider the above matter, and, with due regard to the opinion of so high an authority as Mr. Rawlinson, will devise some other course to effect what is deemed to be requisite than that of adding to the already existing nuisance by the construction of additional Storm Outlets at Deptford Creek.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.,

The Common Seal of the Greenwich District Board of Works,
affixed in the presence of (Signed) E. W. JAMES,
Clerk to the Board.

L. S.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor —That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

3. A Deputation from the Vestry of Shoreditch, introduced by Mr. Hows and Mr. Dodd, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz,—Mr. Fell, Chairman of the Committee; Mr. Martin, Mr. Absell, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Staff, Mr. Death, and Mr. E. Walker Vestry Clerk, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, in the County of Middlesex,

Respectfully Showeth—

That the means of communication as existing between the East and West of London, are, as between the High-street, Shoreditch, and the City-road, exceedingly inconvenient, and are altogether insufficient for the requirements of the day.

That a plan for the formation of a new street in continuation of Commercial-street to the City-road has long been under the consideration of the authorities. It was projected by the Commissioners of Works at the time of the formation of Commercial-street, and has, since the establishment of your honourable Board, stood prominently on the list of urgent improvements to be executed under the direction of your honourable Board. But your memorialists regret that after fourteen years no active steps have been taken to carry such an urgent work into effect.

That your memorialists desire to draw the attention of your honourable Board to the fact that at the present time a large portion of the land required for the formation of the projected new street is unoccupied, in consequence of the lease to the Corporation of London having expired, and the reversion of the property to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

That your memorialists regret that this wealthy Corporation has shown no disposition whatever to improve their estate by the formation of better roads, nor to consult the public interest in matters of light, air, or health; and your memorialists observed with some satisfaction that the neglect of the Commissioners in this respect was recently made the subject of animadversion by the local bench of Justices for the division.

That a proposal was made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to widen Willow Walk, a narrow, tortuous, but much-used thoroughfare, situate upon their estate, to 60 feet, on payment to them of a sum of £12,000. But your memorialists declined to entertain this proposal—first, because they considered that such widening would so far improve the Commissioners' estate that no expense in connection with the same should be cast upon the ratepayers; and secondly, because the improvement would be of such a general character that if payment was made for the land, it should be by the metropolis at large, and not by the Parish of Shoreditch.

That your memorialists regret that efforts which they made to induce the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to set back certain inconvenient projections in the said road were not supported by your honourable Board, and lament that so rich and powerful a Corporation as the Ecclesiastical Commissioners should now be tolerating the formation of courts and very narrow streets in so densely populated a locality.

That your memorialists further desire to call the attention of your honourable Board to the fact that the present terminus of the Great Eastern Railway in Shoreditch will shortly be converted to a goods station, and that this alteration will greatly increase the already heavy traffic now passing through Willow-walk, with a corresponding increase of danger to life and limb.

Your memorialists, therefore, most urgently pray that your honourable Board will give this subject your immediate and serious attention, and will take steps to secure the present vacant land for the formation of this important and indispensable thoroughfare, or, failing that, that the present favourable opportunity will not be lost for securing at a moderate cost the widening of Willow-walk to at least 60 feet, and the removal therefrom of certain dangerous projections. And your memorialists would further urge that the Engineer and Architect of your honourable Board should make such arrangements with the North London Railway Company as would secure in the widening of the City branch, shortly to be commenced, such bridges as should offer no obstacle to the carrying out of the new street from Shoreditch to the City-road, the formation of which cannot long be delayed.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Signed and sealed by order of the Vestry, this 5th day of April, 1870. L.S.

(Signed) JAMES MARTIN, Chairman.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hows, seconded by Mr. Dodd—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Silas Taylor handed in a communication from the Vestry of St. Pancras, which was read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the said communication be received and entered on the minutes of proceedings of this day, and it is entered accordingly.

Parish of St. Pancras, in the County of Middlesex.

At a General Meeting of the Vestrymen of the said Parish, held at the Vestry Hall, King's Road, Pancras Road, on Wednesday, the 20th day of April, 1870.

Mr. Churchwarden Turner, in the Chair, and Sixty-five other Vestrymen present.

Resolved unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Clement George—

That, in the opinion of the Vestry, it is desirable that if the Metropolitan Board of Works take any action with a view to settle a scheme for the municipal management of London, a copy of such scheme should be sent to each Vestry and District Board for consideration, before the same be submitted to Her Majesty's Government.

Extracted from the Minutes.

(Signed) THOS ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk.

5. Read a letter as follows—

The Board of Works for the St. Olave District, Southwark.
Board Room, 86, Queen Elizabeth-street, St. John's, Southwark,
20th day of April, 1870.

Tooley Street Improvement.

Dear Sir—It has been intimated to me that in my letter of the 6th instant I did not make the application for contribution with sufficient clearness. I fully intended that this Board made

application to your Board for one moiety of the cost of the improvement of the premises referred to in my letter which I now beg to do. It will, therefore, be for one-half of the sum of £3,014 9s. 5d.

It is right, however, that I should state that a portion of 57, Tooley-street, has been sold to Messrs. Brook and Roberts for £600
and that Mr. Rewman, the surveyor, has valued a portion retained, upon which it is intended to rebuild the P. H., at 220

£820

So that this latter sum of £820 will have to be deducted from the £3,014 9s. 5d., leaving only a moiety of the sum of £2,194 9s. 5d., to be contributed by your Board for this considerable improvement.

I am, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq., (Signed) ROB. SLEE, Clerk.
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

6. Read a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 18th April, 1870, acknowledging the receipt of the letter from this Board of the 22nd March last, and enclosing plan showing the Canal Bridge in Plough-lane, the roads of approach to it, and the adjacent boundaries of parishes, and asking for a definite reply to his letter of the 5th March on the subject of the improvement of the bridge in question.

Resolved—That the said letter and plan be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Mr. Adams handed in a communication which was read as follows—

The Board of Works for the Saint Giles District.

Extract from the Minutes of the above Board of the 12th day of April, 1870.

Present—Mr. Cull, in the Chair, and Fifteen other Gentlemen.

A letter from the Vestry Clerk of Clerkenwell, with Copy Resolution of the said Vestry, as to the necessity of a new street being formed from Old Street, St. Luke's, to Hart Street, Bloomsbury, was read.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved unanimously, that, in the opinion of this Board, it is desirable that a new street should be formed from Old Street, St. Luke's, to the West End, by way of Theobald's-road to Hart-street, Bloomsbury, to connect the Eastern and Western portions of the Metropolis.

Ordered that a Copy of the aforegoing Resolution be forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Extracted.

(Signed) ROBT. FINNIS, Clerk.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

8. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 22nd April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the certificates of the various Principal Officers for the payment to Contractors and other persons of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole £11,153, be paid.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870 ..	1,500 0 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870 ..	1,800 0 0	
JUDD AND GLASS—		
Further on account of Bill for Printing, to Christmas, 1869	30 0 0	
		3,330 0 0
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.		
MARSHALL AND MAXWELL, Contractors—		
Further on account of New Street in extension of the Commercial-road		4,493 0 0
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
DICKINSON AND OLIVER—		
Further on account of Kennington and Lambeth Sewers		3,330 0 0
Total ..		£11,153 0 0

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

(*Signed*) CHAS. HARRIS,
CYRUS LEGG.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £11,153, be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

9. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 11th April, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress.

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Dare—		
Dare, Mrs. Elizabeth—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 11, Stingo Lane	275 0 0	
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	9 0 0	
Re Brown—		
Samuel, S., and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	8 8 0	
Re W. Robinson—		
Samuel, S., and Co.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	6 6 0	
Re Govier—		
Govier, Edward—Compensation for removal from No. 34, Walmer Street	25 0 0	
Re Bird—		
Wellborne, C.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	59 0 0	
		382 14 0

Southern Embankment.

Re Davies and Nixon—		
Fraser, W. J.—Costs of Title and Conveyance	40 0 0	
Re Binney—		
Bateman, J. W.—Fees for Inrolment of Deed Poll ..	6 17 0	
		46 17 0
		£429 11 0

Your Committee have ascertained that a payment is required to be made in respect of the Shepherdess Walk Improvement and they beg to recommend that the following cheque be drawn—

General Account.

Re Guardians of St. Luke's—Shepherdess Walk Improvement—
Hayne, W. W.—Taxed Costs of Arbitration, and of Title
and Conveyance £260 19 10

Your Committee have further to report that they have cancelled the cheque (No. 577) for £99 3s. 4d., drawn on the 1st of November, 1869, in favour of Messrs. Joseph Marriner and Ingle Few, in respect of balance of Tenants' Rents of property in Whitechapel, and have drawn the following Cheques in lieu of it, viz :—

		£ s. d.
Usher, F. A., one-fourth of balance of rents to completion of purchase	..	24 15 10
Usher, F. A., as Administrator of W. J. Usher Do.	..	24 15 10
Usher, Miss, E. F. Do.	..	24 15 10
Beeton, H. and Scott, T. W. G. Do.	..	24 15 10

As the Southern Embankment roadways and approaches are now complete, the attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of arrangements being made for placing them under the jurisdiction of the Vestry of Lambeth for the purposes of future maintenance, as provided by the 14th Section of the Act of 1863. In order to effect this object it is necessary that a certificate of the completion of the roadways and approaches, signed by the Chairman of the Board, should be delivered to the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Surrey, in compliance with the provisions of the Act, and your Committee recommend that the Chairman be requested and authorised to sign the necessary certificate after being prepared by the Solicitor.

Your Committee have to report the death of Mr. R. J. Hunter, one of the draughtsmen on the permanent staff of the Engineer's Department, which occurred on the 6th instant. The Engineer speaks very highly of the value of Mr. Hunter's services, which extended over a period of nearly 21 years, and your Committee feel that by his death the Board have lost a valuable and painstaking officer. It is not proposed to fill up, at all events at present, the vacancy which has thus occurred.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from the Board of Works for the Poplar District, enclosing a copy of a resolution of a joint Committee of the parishes of Hackney and Bow, proposing to throw into the public roadway the angle of the covered sewer in Wallis-road, as shewn in red upon the plan accompanying the application. Your Committee have ascertained that the carrying out of this work will undoubtedly effect a great improvement in the roadway, and will be in no way detrimental to the Board's rights in the sewer. They, therefore, recommend that the site be given to the local authorities for the purpose, on condition that the erection of the fence across the sewer to the altered line of roadway be done to the satisfaction of the Board's officers.

Your Committee have also considered a letter from Messrs. Jarvis and Son, on behalf of the Trustees St. Stephen's Church, Walworth, applying for permission to enclose a portion of the site of the Earl Sewer between Villa-street and Newington Workhouse. Your Committee find that it is not intended to build upon this site, but merely to enclose it for a length of 195 feet, as shewn upon the plan accompanying the application, for the purpose of improving the southern approach to the church now in course of erection. Your Committee recommend the Board to grant the application during their pleasure, the Trustees entering into the usual agreement, reserving to the Board all their rights in the sewer, and the erection of the fencing being done under the direction and to the satisfaction of their officers, and at the sole cost of the Trustees.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Engineer's Report, referred by the Board on the 1st instant, (No. 17), recommending that, for the protection of the public, cast-iron standards and rails, similar to those erected for the same purpose upon

the Southern Embankment, near Westminster-bridge, should be erected at the new York Gate steps at an estimated cost of £30. Your Committee have received from the Engineer, drawings of the proposed standards and rails, which they have approved, and now beg to submit to the Board, with a recommendation that the work be carried out at an estimated cost not exceeding £30.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from Messrs. Thomas and Hollams, referred to them on the 18th ultimo, (No. 55), calling attention to the deficient illuminating power of the gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, and requesting the Board to enforce penalties against the Company in respect thereof. Your Committee have directed a reply to be sent to Messrs. Thomas and Hollams explaining that, owing to the testing places not being yet certified by the Gas Referees as ready for the testing operations to be commenced, the Board have been unable to provide for the testing of the gas, but that as soon as the certificate of the Referees is received, the Board will proceed to the appointment of Gas Examiners for the purpose.

Your Committee have also considered the letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, requesting the Board to contribute towards the expense of widening and improving the south end of Blue Anchor-lane, referred by the Board on the 28th January last, (No. 2). The estimated cost of the improvement, exclusive of professional charges, is £300, which, having regard to the fact that the approach to the lane will be increased from 12 ft. 10 to 43 ft. 7, appears to be reasonable. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and think the Board may properly bear a portion of the cost of this improvement. At the same time, they think it desirable that the said lane from Blue Anchor-road to the corner of the first street on the west side thereof should be widened to 40 feet and, subject to this condition, they recommend the Board to contribute one-half of the cost of the Improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and that it be paid to the Vestry of Bermondsey on a certificate by the Board's Architect of the completion of the work.

In compliance with your resolution of the 4th ultimo (No. 3), your Committee have considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, asking the Board to contribute in aid of an improvement at the eastern extremity of Fenchurch-street and Leadenhall-street. The Memorialists state that they have for some time past been in negotiation with a view to acquire the site of ground coloured red on the plan accompanying their application, for the purpose of widening and improving Fenchurch and Leadenhall Streets at the point in question by throwing the ground acquired into the public way. The sum to be paid to the owners of the ground has been settled by arbitration at £4,204, independent of all professional expenses. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and have also ascertained from the Superintending Architect that the area which will be thrown into the public way is 1185 square feet. It appears to your Committee that the arrangement proposed by the Commissioners of Sewers will effect a very important improvement at a spot which forms the entrance to the City from the eastern portion of the Metropolis. Under these circumstances, your Committee have no hesitation in recommending the Board to contribute towards the cost. They are of opinion, however, that the space within the red dotted line shown upon the plan, containing about 525 superficial feet, should be added to the public way, and, subject to this condition, they recommend—

> That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £2,102, and that it be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers on a Certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have also directed their attention to the letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry of Kensington, praying the Board to contribute towards the cost of widening Plough-lane, and connecting Campden-hill with the Uxbridge-road, referred by the Board on the 25th ultimo, (No. 54). The Vestry have for some time past been engaged in, and have now completed the negotiations for the acquisition of the property necessary for effecting the improvement, the estimated cost of which, exclusive of legal charges, is £8,500. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and consider that the widening of Plough-lane as proposed will supply a want which has long been felt by affording an additional means of communication between the Kensington and

Uxbridge Roads, between which there is now, for a distance of about a mile and a half, viz., from Hyde-park to Addison-road, no thoroughfare available for traffic, with the exception of Church-street, which is quite inadequate to meet the present requirements. Having referred to these facts, your Committee are satisfied that the proposed improvement is very desirable and well worthy the favourable consideration of the Board. They beg to recommend that the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of the improvement, exclusive of professional expenses, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £4,250, and that it be paid to the Vestry of Kensington on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the re-division of the Metropolis into Districts for the management of Engineering works, rendered necessary by the retirement of Mr. Cooper. The Metropolis has hitherto been divided into three areas, one on the south side of the Thames and two on the north. These were superintended by three Assistant Engineers, with five District Clerks of Works under them. A sixth, Mr. John Bennett, was also called a District Clerk of Works, but has always, your Committee are informed, had charge of special works, and has not attended to the general business of any district and it is proposed to continue his employment on special works as heretofore. One of the District Clerks of Works, Mr. C. Anderson, has been superannuated, and another, Mr. W. Garnham, has died, leaving only three, viz.: Messrs. W. Walker and J. T. Lloyd on the South, and Mr. C. Hamblin on the North East. Mr. W. G. Fisk is now temporarily attending to the North West District in place of Mr. W. Garnham. The Engineer states that he has consulted with Messrs. Grant and Lovick as to the future management of the whole area and that it is thought that, inasmuch as the heavier Main Drainage and Thames Embankment Works are now nearly completed, the Engineering Works of the Metropolis may be superintended by them without otherwise filling the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Cooper's retirement. It is proposed, therefore, to give Mr. Grant, in addition to the South side now superintended by him, the Parishes of Fulham, Kensington, Chelsea, Paddington, and a detached portion of Westminster and to place the remainder of the North side of the Metropolis under the charge of Mr. Lovick. The limits of the above Parishes in the line of the Edgware-road, Hyde-park and the Ranelagh Sewer to the Thames at Chelsea Hospital would form a convenient boundary between them, and would leave the Chelsea Embankment to be constructed under Mr. Grant, and the Pimlico Pumping Station under Mr. Lovick. The arrangement is shown on the accompanying plan which your Committee beg to submit for your imformation. It has been thought desirable that the question of the permanent arrangements to be made with regard to the staff should be deferred for a period of three months, in order that the Assistant Engineers may obtain experience as to the assistance they will require, and your Committee have instructed the Engineer to report on this subject at the end of that period, your Committee have in the meantime authorised the Engineer to employ an additional Clerk of Works in Mr. Grant's District, if necessary, and a similar arrangement is applied for also in the case of Mr. Lovick's District. Your Committee beg to report these facts for your information, and to request your sanction to the course which has been adopted.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
CYRUS LEGG,
C. H. ELT.

The drawing of the standards and rails proposed to be erected at the new York Gate steps, and the plan showing the diversion of the Metropolis for the management of the Engineering works of the Board, referred to in the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Savage—That a Cheque for the undermentioned amount be now drawn, viz.—

General Account.

Re Guardians of St. Luke's—Shepherdess Walk Improvement—
Hayne, W. W.—Taxed Costs of Arbitration, and of Title and Conveyance £260 19s. 10d.

And a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to sign a certificate, to be prepared by the Solicitor, of the completion of the roadways and approaches of the Southern Embankment, to be delivered to the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Surrey, pursuant to the 14th Section of the Thames Embankment (South) Act, with a view to such roadways and approaches being placed under the jurisdiction of the Vestry of Lambeth.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. R. E. Hunter, son of the late Mr. R. J. Hunter, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, dated 20th April, 1870, stating that he had just completed his apprenticeship as a Draughtsman, and asking the Board to employ him in that capacity; and also a letter from Mrs. Hunter, urging the Board to take two of her sons into their employ.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the said letters be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Local Authorities of Hackney and Bow be permitted to add to the public roadway the portion of the covered sewer in Wallis-road, Bow, coloured red upon the Plan now produced, on condition that the erection of the fence across the sewer be carried out tothe satisfaction of the Engineer of this Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the application of the Trustees of St. Stephen's Church, Walworth, for permission to enclose a portion of the site of the Earl Sewer between Villa-street and Newington Workhouse be granted, during the pleasure of the Board, subject to the Trustees entering into the usual agreement, reserving to the Board all their rights in the sewer, and to the erection of the fencing being done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Trustees, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary agreement.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the drawing of the cast-iron standards and rails proposed to be erected at the new York Gate steps on the Thames Embankment, North, now submitted, be approved, and that the work be carried out at an estimated cost not exceeding £30.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the letter from Messrs. Thomas and Hollams, relative to the quality of the gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of the widening and improving by the Vestry of Bermondsey, of the South end of Blue Anchor-lane at an estimated cost of £300, exclusive of professional charges, on condition that the said lane from Blue Anchor-road to the corner of the first street on the west side thereof be widened to 40 feet; such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150, and that it be paid to the Vestry of Bermondsey on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of an improvement proposed to be carried out by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London at the eastern extremity of Fenchurch-street and Leadenhall-street at an estimated cost of £4,204, exclusive of professional expenses, on condition that the space within the red dotted line shown upon the Plan now submitted, containing about 525 superficial feet, be added to the public way; such contribution not to exceed the sum of £2,102 and that it be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of an improvement proposed to be carried out by the Vestry of Kensington, by the widening of Plough-lane, and connecting Campden-hill with the Uxbridge-road, at a total cost of £8,500, exclusive of professional expenses, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £4,250, and that it be paid to the Vestry of Kensington, on a Certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Hall, and seconded by Mr. Turner—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

After discussion the amendment was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The motion was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That so much of the Report as relates to the division of the Metropolis into Districts for the management of the Engineering works of the Board, and to the arrangements for the superintendence thereof, be approved.

10. Mr. Thompson, in the absence of Mr. Saunders, the Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 12th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-Class Firemen Thomas W. Carter and Thomas Bangay have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted. They also recommend the appointment of Edwin Jackson and William McNutt, in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, to fill vacancies.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 1st instant, (No. 8), they have reconsidered the case of Stephen Martin, First-Class Fireman, whose state of health is such as to render him unfit for the duty of a Fireman. On the above date your Committee reported on the case, and recommended that, in consideration of Martin's service of over thirty years, he should be allowed to retire on a pension of 15s. 9d. per week, being half his present pay, that being the amount to which he would have been entitled, if the provisions of the Superannuations Act were applied to his case. In the course of the discussion which took place, however, opinions were expressed adverse to the general application of the provisions of this Act to the Fire Brigade, and the question was referred back to your Committee, for consideration and report. Your Committee have accordingly again carefully considered the matter, and in doing so have given due attention to the views above alluded to. Your Committee would now suggest that for the present, at all events, no scale of pensions should be laid down, but that in the event of any man becoming unfit for duty by reason of age, accident, or infirmity, his case should be considered and dealt with on its merits. With regard to the particular case now under consideration, it is quite clear that Martin will never be able again to discharge the duties of a Fireman. He is now suffering from gout and bronchitis, and his health appears quite broken. He is 54 years old, and has served faithfully for more than thirty years. Having regard to his physical infirmity, and his long and faithful service, your Committee recommend that he be allowed to retire on a pension of 15s. a week for life.

In connection with this subject, the attention of your Committee has been directed to the fund which has hitherto borne the name of the "Superannuation Fund." Your Committee have found that this name occasions considerable misunderstanding as to the character of the fund, and it would naturally be supposed that it was intended to provide superannuation allowances for men on retirement; whereas, the simple fact is, that it is a Savings Fund, to which each man in the force pays 6d. a week, receiving back, when he leaves, the amount he has paid in. In order to avoid any misapprehension in future, your Committee have directed that the fund shall be called the "Mens' Savings Fund."

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
E. J. THOMPSON,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the resignations of Fourth-Class Firemen Thomas W. Carter, and Thomas Bangay be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That Edwin Jackson and William McNutt be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen in the Brigade.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the case of Stephen Martin, First-Class Fireman, who, by reason of physical infirmity is rendered unfit for further service in the Brigade, be approved, and that, in consideration thereof, and of his long and faithful service extending over a period of thirty years, a pension of 15s. a week for life be granted to him.

The motion having, on the suggestion of Mr. Alderman Gibbons, and by leave of the Board, been modified as follows—That so much of the Report as relates to the case of Stephen Martin, First-Class Fireman, who, by reason of physical infirmity, is rendered unfit for further service in the Brigade, be approved, and that, in consideration thereof, and of his long and faithful service extending over a period of 30 years, a pension of 15s. a week be granted to him during the pleasure of the Board—was put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That so much of the Report as relates to the subject of the Superannuation Fund of the Fire Brigade be approved.

11. A Deputation from the Vestry of Paddington, introduced by Mr. Roche, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Kemshead, J.P., Mr. Wilson, Churchwarden, Mr. Benjamin Shaw, Mr. F. J. Prescott, and Mr. Frank Dethridge, Vestry Clerk, attended the Board and presented resolutions passed by the Vestry on the subject of their application to the Board for a re-distribution of Vestrymen to the several wards of the parish.

The resolutions having been read,

Mr. Kemshead addressed the Board in support thereof.

Mr. Braid, a ratepayer of the parish, was heard in opposition to the said resolutions.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the said resolutions be entered on the minutes of proceedings of this day, and they are entered accordingly—

At a Special Meeting of the Vestry, held at the Vestry Hall, Harrow Road, in the Parish of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, on Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1870.

Present:—The Rev. James Moorhouse, Vicar, in the Chair; and 36 Members of the Vestry.

It was Resolved,

Unanimously, that the Resolution of the Vestry passed on the 16th day of March, 1869, "That, inasmuch as the number of inhabited houses in Wards Nos. 1 and 2 of this Parish has "largely increased since the passing of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, this Vestry do "make the necessary application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for them to alter the number "of Vestrymen assigned to the respective Wards," be, and it is hereby rescinded.

At a Meeting of the Vestry held at the Vestry Hall, Harrow Road, in the Parish of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, on Tuesday, the 19th day April, 1870.

Present:—The Rev. James Moorhouse, Vicar, in the Chair; and 36 Members of the Vestry.

It was Resolved,

Unanimously, that a Deputation, consisting of the following gentlemen, be appointed to wait upon the Metropolitan Board of Works, at a meeting to be held on Friday next, the 22nd instant, to urge upon them the necessity of taking no further action in the matter of the application made by the Vestry on the 27th day of March, 1869, for the Board to cause an alteration to be made in the number of Vestrymen assigned to the respective Wards of this Parish, namely—

Mr. Shaw,
Mr. Kemshead, J.P.,
Mr. Prescott, and
Mr. Churchwarden Wilson.

A true Copy

(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE,
Vestry Clerk.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings the Board proceeded to consider the application of the Vestry of Paddington, presented to them on the 2nd April, 1869, for a re-apportionment of the number of Vestrymen to be returned for the Wards of that Parish, and any evidence which might be laid before them, either in support of, or against, the application.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the Notice, which had been inserted in one daily morning and one evening newspaper, and affixed to the doors of the churches and chapels in the district.

Proclamation was made.

The following parties, ratepayers, attended, viz.—Mr. H. D. Clarke and Mr. Charles Braid, and handed in a communication which was read as follows—

18, Gloucester-terrace, Hyde Park, W.,
21st April, 1870.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Gentlemen,—That inasmuch as the number of inhabited houses in Wards Nos. 1 and 2 have largely increased since the passing of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, we, as ratepayers, do make the necessary application to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for them to alter the number of Vestrymen assigned to the respective wards.

We are, &c.,
(Signed) H. D. CLARKE,
CHARLES BRAID.

Mr. Clarke addressed the Board in support of the foregoing application.

Proclamation was again made, but no other parties appeared.

It was then moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Elt—That the Board do now make an Order with reference to the Wards of the Parish of Paddington.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Board do defer making their Order until a new census of the population, &c., of the Parish of Paddington shall have been taken.

The amendment having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

And it was thereupon Resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas application was made to the said Board by the Vestry of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, to alter, pursuant to the fifth section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, the number of Vestrymen assigned to the several Wards in the said Parish, and such application was supported by statutory declarations of Frank Dethridge, the Vestry Clerk of the said Parish. And whereas, the said Board caused to be issued a Notice as follows—" Metropolitan Board of Works—Notice is hereby given, that the Metropolitan Board of " Works will, at their Office in Spring Gardens, Charing Cross, on Friday, the 22nd " day of April, 1870, at One o'clock in the afternoon, or as soon after that hour as business " will admit, take into consideration the application of the Vestry of the Parish of Padding- " ton, in the County of Middlesex, praying as follows, *i.e.*—

> " That inasmuch as the number of inhabited houses in Wards Nos. 1 and 2, " have largely increased since the passing of the 'Metropolis Local Management " Act, 1855,' this Vestry do make the necessary application to the Metropolitan " Board of Works, for them to alter the number of Vestrymen assigned to the " respective Wards."

" And the Board also give Notice, that having considered the two several Declarations of " Mr. Frank Dethridge, dated respectively the 7th day of September, 1869, and the 17th " day of March, 1870, wherein, amongst other things, he stated to the effect following—That " in the year 1851, the Census showed the number of inhabited houses in the parish to be " 6,197, and that the number of inhabited houses in the districts or parts of the parish now " forming the several Wards appears to have been as follows—

" In that part now called Ward	No. 1	1,095
" do.	No. 2	1,848
" do.	No. 3	1,336
" do.	No. 4	2,217

"That in the year 1855, the Parish was divided into Wards under the provisions of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

"That in the year 1861, the Census Return shewed the number of inhabited houses to "have been 9,729, and that from an examination made under his direction of the rate books "of that year, the number of inhabited houses in each Ward of the Parish appears to have "been as follows—

"Ward 1	2,265
" „ 2	3,177
" „ 3	2,154
" „ 4	2,147

"That from an examination made under his direction of the Rate Books for the year 1868, "the number of inhabited houses in each Ward of the Parish appears to have been as "follows—

"Ward 1	2,890
" „ 2	4,104
" „ 3	2,541
" „ 4	2,396

"And Notice is hereby further given—That the Board (subject to any further "explanation and subject to any additional evidence or reasons which may be adduced "and reserving the question of making any Order or varying the proposed Order or otherwise "dealing with the matter) proposes to Order that the numbers in the several wards be as "follow—

"Ward No. 1	15
"Ward No. 2	24
"Ward No. 3	18
"Ward No. 4	15

"or otherwise to deal with the matter according to law. And take notice that any person "interested can be heard at the time and place aforesaid, in support of or in opposition to "such application or otherwise, for informing the said Board concerning the matter of "altering the number of Vestrymen and the exercise of the power conferred on the said "Board by the Statute in that behalf with reference to the aforesaid application. Dated "this 12th day of April, 1870, John Pollard, Clerk of the Board."

And Whereas the said Board had produced to it proof of the due and sufficient publication of the said Notice.

And Whereas at the Meeting of the Board on the 22nd day of April, 1870, a Deputation consisting of Members of the Vestry of Paddington, waited upon the said Board, and on the same day application was made to the said Board by Ratepayers of the Parish of Paddington, as follows—

18, Gloucester Terrace, Hyde Park, W., 21st April, 1870.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN,

That, inasmuch as the number of inhabited houses in Wards Nos. 1 and 2 have largely increased since the passing of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, We, as Ratepayers, do make the necessary application to the Metropolitan Board of Works for them to alter the number of Vestrymen assigned to the respective Wards.

We are, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servants,

H. D. CLARKE,
CHARLES BRAID.

And Whereas the said Board having taken into consideration the several matters referred to in the said Notice, and the allegations and reasons submitted to the said Board,

The Board, pursuant to the provisions of the Statutes on that behalf, Doth order that the number of Vestrymen assigned to the several Wards of the said Parish of Paddington henceforth be as follow—(that is to say—

That Ward No. 1, instead of 12 do have 15 Vestrymen,
That Ward No. 2, „ 18 „ 24 „
That Ward No. 3, do henceforth have as before 18 Vestrymen,
That Ward No. 4, instead of 24 do have 15 Vestrymen.

And such assignment of Vestrymen for the said Wards respectively is hereby accordingly ordered and made.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the foregoing Order, in duplicate, that one copy thereof be transmitted to the Vestry of Paddington, and that it be advertised in the public newspapers.

12. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That No. 11 on the Paper of Business for this day be now taken.

The Board then proceeded to consider further the Report of the Special Committee of the Whole Board on the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill, stating—

" That, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable that there should be one Central Muni-
" cipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there shoutd be a re-
" adjustment of the Districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of
" Local Government, and recommending that the subject be referred back to the Committee for
" further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's
" Government thereon."

And the following **motion** by Mr. Roche thereon—

" That, in the opinion of the Board, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal
" Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjust-
" ment of the Districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of Local
" government; and that the subject be referred back to the Committee for further consideration
" as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon."

the consideration of which was adjourned on the 8th instant (No. 1.)

An **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Dixon—That the words " with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon" be omitted from the motion, and that the words " and do report their recommendations to the Board" be inserted in lieu thereof.

After further discussion, it was **resolved** on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next, at one o'clock, p.m.

13. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 12th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 25th ultimo, (No. 28), they have considered the scheme for the amalgamation of the Great Central Gas Consumers' Company with the Gas Light and Coke Company. The scheme is prepared under the provisions of the 18th Section of the City of London Gas Act, 1868, which authorizes the Company to submit a scheme for amalgamation to the Board of Trade, and there is a provision that such scheme shall be submitted to this Board, who may make any representations thereon. Your Committee have looked carefully through the scheme, and it appears to them that several modifications therein are desirable, in the interest of the consumers, particularly in the provisions for meeting the late defalcations in the Great Central Company, and other points. A letter having been received from the Board of Trade since the last meeting of the Board, requesting that any representations which the Board might desire to make, should be furnished to the Board of Trade on or before the 16th instant,

your Committee, under the general authority given to them, agreed to a statement of objectio n drawn up by the Solicitor, to which they requested the Chairman to affix the Seal of the Board, and directed that the same should be sent to the Board of Trade before the day named in their letter. Your Committee have to request the sanction of the Board to the course they have taken.

Your Committee have further to report, with reference to the Bill of the Gas Light and Coke Company, to enable that Company to purchase the undertaking of the Victoria Docks Gas Company, that they have authorized the Solicitor to obtain the services of two or three professional witnesses in support of the petition presented by the Board against the Bill, the provisions of which affect the Gas legislation of 1868.

Your Committee have also to report that, in accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 25th ultimo, (No. 26), they have considered the notice of the South Eastern Railway Company as to an extension of time for the construction of part of their Greenwich and Woolwich line. The Solicitor has since reported to your Committee that the Company do not propose to seek the extension of time. Your Committee have, however, instructed the Solicitor, in the event of the Company proceeding on their notice, to endeavour to get the extension of time limited to two years.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the course taken by the Committee with respect to the scheme for the amalgamation of the Great Central Gas Consumers' Company with the Gas Light and Coke Company be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Bill of the South-Eastern Railway Company be approved.

14. Mr. Roche handed in a Memorial as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Paddington, in the County of Middlesex.

SHEWETH—

That your Honourable Board on the Eleventh day of February last, Resolved as follows—

"That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line "of thoroughfare known by the name of Bishop's-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Paddington, "in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan "now produced, marked 997, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd "numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 85, being assigned to the houses on the South side, "and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 98, to those on the North side; that "such numbers do commence at the East end; that the names Royal Oak-terrace, Gloucester-"gardens, Westbourne-place, St. Leonard's-place, Inverness-terrace, and any other name or "names now in use in Bishop's-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line "of thoroughfare be called Bishop's-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of "Paddington, pursuant to the 87th section of the 'Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.'"

That, since the issue of the above-mentioned Order, your Memorialists have been informed by a large and influential deputation of inhabitants of the line of thoroughfare referred to, more particularly of that portion thereof, formerly designated "Gloucester-gardens," that the value of the property in such locality will be greatly depreciated in the event of such Order being enforced, of which fact your Memorialists were unaware at the time they caused an application to be made to your Honourable Board for effecting a change in the nomenclature thereof; and your Memorialists have further been informed that the residents generally object to the change that has been made, advancing as a reason that the name of "Gloucester-gardens" does not exist in any other part of the Metropolis.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your honourable Board may be pleased to rescind the Order above mentioned.

The Common Seal of the Vestry affixed by order.

(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE, Vestry Clerk.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved—That Mr. Roche be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

15. Mr. Cook handed in a communication which was read as follows—

Board of Works for the Poplar District,
291, East India Dock Road, E.
21st April, 1870.

Dear Sir—Mr. Bazalgette's letter of the 4th instant as to oakum, &c., being discharged from our sewer in Manchester-road into the Main Great Sluice, having been referred to the Surveyor who reported thereon at a Meeting of this Board on Tuesday, I was thereupon directed to forward the enclosed copy to you.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) S. JEFFRIES BARTH, Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.
Metropolitan Board of Works.

(Enclosure.)

Low Level Sewer.

All Saints Poplar.

Gentlemen—In compliance with an order of the Board on the 5th instant,

I have to Report upon a letter from Mr. J. W. Bazalgette, Chief Engineer to the Metropolitan Board of Works, complaining of oakum being conveyed through the District Sewers, and forming a dam upon an iron grating in the Great Sluice Main Sewer.

It is true that the District Sewers discharge their contents into this Sewer which has its outlet direct into the River Thames, but there is neither grate nor any obstruction there.

The grate and the obstruction to which Mr. Bazalgette refers is in the Low Level Sewer which has not been used for several months for the drainage of the Isle of Dogs, therefore the cause of the complaint does not proceed from the District Sewers.

The Merchant Shipping Company whose premises extend from New-road to the Folly wall have caused a range of open privies and a flushing apparatus to be erected upon the margin of the Low Level Sewer, for the accommodation of shipwrights, caulkers, and others employed on the premises, and when they occupy this place a considerable quantity of oakum is used by them, which is flushed through a drain into the Low Level Sewer near to the iron grate in question and this is the cause of the complaint.

The drain in connection with these privies was laid down under the direction and supervision of the officers of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

A remedy for this evil is simple and would cost a few pounds only.

(Signed) ROBERT PARKER, Surveyor.

To the Board of Works for the Poplar District. 19th April, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the said communication be referred to the Engineer, for report.

16. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Building Act Committee.

Spring Gardens, 5th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, viz. :—

Date of Reference	Application.
11th December, 1868, (No. 48.)	Poplar District Board, for the re-numbering of various streets in that District.
30th July, 1869, (No. 32.)	Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, for the incorporation of Warwick-place with Clarendon-street, Pimlico.
29th October, 1869, (No. 64.)	Vestry of Hampstead, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-road, Haverstock Hill.
22nd October, 1869, (No. 55.)	Mr. J. J. Smart, calling attention to there being two James-streets in the vicinity of Westbourne-terrace, and suggesting an alteration in the names thereof.
29th October, 1869, (No. 64.)	The Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for re-naming Red Cross-square "Hamsell-street."

7th January, 1870, (No. 35.) Vestry of Paddington, for the application of the name "Hyde Park-street" to the line of thoroughfare leading from Southwick-crescent to Hyde Park.

4th February, 1870, (No. 40.) Greenwich District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in South-street, Greenwich.

4th February, 1870, (No. 40.) Vestry of Saint Pancras, for re-naming Church-street, Kentish-town.

Your Committee have received reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the portion of Bow Lane, Poplar, between Catherine-street and St. Leonard's Road, be re-named Follett-street, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That Warwick-place, Pimlico, be incorporated with Clarendon-street, and that the houses in the line of thoroughfare be re-numbered.

That the houses in Park-road, Haverstock Hill, be re-numbered.

That James-street West, Paddington, be re-named "Leinster Place."

That Red Cross-square, Cripplegate, be re-named "Hamsell-street."

That Upper Hyde Park-street, Paddington, be incorporated with Hyde Park-street, and the houses in the line of thoroughfare re-numbered.

That the houses in South-street, Greenwich, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That the line of thoroughfare known as Church-street and Church-terrace, Kentish Town, be re-named "Kelly-street," and the houses re-numbered.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 1st instant (No. 74), they have considered the Memorial from inhabitants of Limes-grove and Limes-grove, North, Lewisham, protesting against re-naming their road "De Legh-street." The alteration in question was ordered by the Board to be made on the application of the Board of Works for the Lewisham District; but, as your Committee find that this Memorial has been signed by twenty-six of the inhabitants of Limes-grove, and, as the Memorialists occupy about twenty-three out of thirty-six inhabited houses in the Grove, they consider that the wishes of so large a number of the residents should be complied with, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the Order of the Board of the 25th ultimo, (No. 9), re-naming Limes-grove, Lewisham, "De Legh-street," be not acted upon.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
C. H. ELT,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bow-lane, which extends from Catherine-street to St. Leonard's-road, in the respective parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and Saint Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1037, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 53, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 46, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the names Bow-lane, Eagle-terrace, Almond-place, and any other name or names now in use in the above mentioned portion of Bow-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Follett-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board

of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Warwick-place and Clarendon-street, in the Parish of Saint George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1038, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 28, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Warwick-street; that the name Warwick-place, and any other name or names now in use in Warwick-place and Clarendon-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Clarendon-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Saint George, Hanover-square, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Park-road, in the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1039, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 55, being assigned to the houses on the west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 82, to those on the east side; that such numbers do commence at the south end; that the the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Park-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Hampstead, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, James-street West, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named Leinster-place, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, Red Cross-square, Cripplegate, in the City of London, be re-named Hamsell-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of

thoroughfare known by the names of Hyde Park-street and Upper Hyde Park-street, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1040, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 21, being assigned to the houses on the western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 30, to those on the eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the southern end; that the name Upper Hyde Park-street and any other name or names now in use in Hyde Park-street and Upper Hyde Park-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Hyde Park-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of South-street, in the Parish of Greenwich, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1041, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 141, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 116, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest London-street; that the names Thornton-place, Camden-place, Prospect-place, Melville-terrace, South-villas, Ashburnham-terrace, Cambridge-terrace, Cambridge-villas, Heath-cottages, Laurel-place, Cottage-place, and any other name or names now in use in South-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called South-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 5th day of April, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Church-street and Church-terrace, Kentish Town, in the Parish of Saint Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1042, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 53, being assigned to the houses on the southern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 34, to those on the northern side; that such numbers do commence at the eastern end; that the names Church-street, Church-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Church-street and Church-terrace, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Kelly-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. Pancras, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Charles Tisley, dated 13th April, 1870, on the subject of the proposed re-naming of Limes-grove, Lewisham, stating that after the 22nd instant, the inhabitants of Limes-grove proposed to suggest to the Lewisham District Board that by the re-numbering of Limes-grove throughout, the inconvenience arising from the existence of the name "Limes-grove, North," would be removed

Resolbed, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the Order of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 9), directing that Limes-grove, Lewisham, be re-named "De Legh-street" be not further acted upon.

17. **Resolbed**, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Bidgood—That it be referred to the Building Act Committee to consider and report as to the desirability of communicating

with the authorities of the Post Office in all cases where alterations in the naming of thoroughfares and the numbering of houses are ordered by the Board.

18. The Board considered further the Report of the Building Act Committee, recommending—

"That the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, and all Dis-"trict Surveyorships becoming vacant in future, be offered in the first instance to District Surveyors "who may desire to be translated from their Districts, and that vacancies be publicly advertised, only "when no District Surveyor desires to be transferred to the vacant District."

"That an additional fee of 5s. be allowed to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous "structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done."

"That the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent "of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 466, Hackney-"road, be not granted."

the consideration of which was adjourned on the 8th instant, (No. 17).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That so much of the Report as relates to the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, and future vacancies in District Surveyorships, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the allowance of an additional fee of 5s. to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done, be adjourned until the next meeting of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house No. 466, Hackney-road, be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

19. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq. Deputy.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens, 19th April, 1870.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 22nd day of April, 1870, at half-past twelve o'Clock p.m., for the transaction of the following business.

To receive Report from Works and General Purposes Committee.

Recommending—

That the salary of Mr. Newall, principal clerk in the Superintending Architect's Department, be increased from £300 to £350 per annum, and that, having regard to the extra duties which have devolved upon him under the provisions of the Petroleum and Dangerous Structures Acts, such increase do take effect from the 29th September last; and that the resolution of the Board of the 4th January, 1861, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 11th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under consideration an application from Mr. Newall, principal Clerk in the Superintending Architect's Department, for an increase in his salary. This application, it should be stated, was made in January last, at the time your Committee, under the reference by the Board of the 7th of that month, had before them the general question of the salaries of the subordinate officers; but, as the Committee were then considering the question of the general arrangements to be made with regard to the Petroleum Acts, under which additional duties were cast upon Mr. Newall, it was deemed advisable to postpone dealing with his case until those arrangements should have been completed. The Board having now decided upon that question, the Committee have again given attention to Mr. Newall's application, and they have had before them reports by the Superintending Architect, setting forth in detail the extra duties which have devolved upon Mr. Newall under the provisions of the Petroleum Acts and the Dangerous Structures Act. These duties, your Committee find, have been very considerable, and, although, as regards the matters connected with Petroleum, the work has now greatly diminished, there still remain, under the Dangerous Structures Act, many additional important duties which Mr. Newall has to discharge. Your Committee learn, moreover, that this officer has devoted a great deal of time beyond the usual office hours to questions connected with the revision and re-modelling of the Building Act, and that he has, in this respect, rendered very valuable assistance to the Superintending Architect. Mr. Newall, your Committee find, was originally appointed in the Metropolitan Buildings Office, in 1844, at a salary of £200 per annum, and on the 22nd February, 1856, he was appointed by the Board at the same salary. In January, 1861, he was placed in the First-Class of Officers, at a commencing salary of £210, and he attained the maximum of that class in January, 1868. Your Committee, after a careful review of all the circumstances, and feeling satisfied that Mr. Newall has displayed a considerable amount of industry and zeal in the service of the Board, are of opinion that his application is entitled to favorable consideration at your hands. They think that the case will be fairly met by an addition of £50 per annum to his present salary, making it £350 per annum, and, having regard to the extra duties which have devolved upon him under the provisions of the Petroleum and Dangerous Structures Acts, they consider that the increase should take effect from the 29th of September last.

Your Committee beg to recommend the above course for adoption, and that the resolution of the Board of the 4th January, 1861, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
CYRUS LEGG,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Elt—That the salary of Mr. Walter Newall, Principal Clerk in the Superintending Architect's Department, be increased from £300 to £350 per annum, and that, having regard to the extra duties which have

devolved upon him under the provisions of the Petroleum and Dangerous Structures Acts, such increase do take effect from the 29th September last; and that the resolution of the Board of the 4th January, 1861, (No. 2), be varied accordingly.

The motion having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative by a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present at the meeting, and it was resolved accordingly.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.		Charles Mills Roche, Esq.

1. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.				
Upper Richmond-road, Wandsworth	450	12 inch	Pipe	The same as applied for.
SAINT GILES.				
Woburn Street, Duke Street, Streatham Street, and Woburn Court, Bloomsbury	387	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.
PADDINGTON.				
Dawson Place, Princes Square, with an Outlet into Chepstow Place	About 25	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

2. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1870, stating that it would be necessary for the diversion of the Limehouse Drainage into the Northern Low Level Sewer, that the lands, tenements, and premises, more particularly described in the schedule accompanying the Report, should be occupied by the Board, and recommending that the requisite Order be passed.

The schedule referred to in the said Report, was laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved; and it was ordered, as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing certain sewers and works ordered, and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the under-mentioned Officers and Contractor of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon, and otherwise lawfully interfere with, the lands, tenements, and premises, mentioned and referred to in the book or schedule now produced to the Board; it is **resolved** and **ordered**—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said sewers and works, Joseph William Bazalgette, Engineer of this Board; Thomas Lovick, Assistant-Engineer of this Board; Thomas Pearson, Contractor of this Board; and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them, be empowered and required to enter upon, and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said lands, tenements, and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupiers of the said lands, tenements, and premises, respectively, three days at least before such entry.

3. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1870, on a letter from Mr. J. Carter calling attention to settlements in his houses Nos. 26, 28, 30, and 32, Bessborough-street, Pimlico, alleged to be consequent upon the construction of the Low Level Sewer in front thereof; stating that immediately upon receipt of the letter a copy of it had been sent to the Contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams, who, in reply, stated that, as far as they had at present ascertained, the cracks appeared to be old and not to be due to their operations; but that they had promised to make a further examination, with a view to making good the defects, if any were fairly attributable to such operations, and recommending that a copy of Messrs. Hiscox and Williams's communication be forwarded to Mr. Carter.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

4. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st April, 1870, on a letter from the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, requesting payment of the £600 agreed to be contributed by this Board towards the cost of widening the bridges over the South-Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth; stating that the widening of the two bridges had been completed, and recommending that the £600 agreed to be contributed by this Board on the 12th November last, (No. 6), be paid to the District Board.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration, with a view to payment of the amount.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd April, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Dethridge, Vestry Clerk of Paddington, submitting for the sanction of the Board, the Plan of a proposed alteration to the southern abutment of Carlton-bridge; stating that the alteration consisted in the formation of an arched covered way immediately at the back of the pier supporting the girders, to which he saw no objection, and recommending the Board to sanction the same, subject to the conditions imposed by the Vestry, viz:—that an approved granite kerb be laid down on each side of the archway for the protection of the brickwork.

Resolved—That the Plan now submitted, showing a proposed alteration to the southern abutment of Carlton Bridge be approved, subject to the conditions imposed by the Vestry of Paddington, namely, that an approved granite kerb be laid down on each side of the archway for the protection of the brickwork.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd April, 1870, on applications from the following District Boards, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
		ST. GILES.			
1870. 16th April.	Great St. Andrew Street.	Paving Works.	12 days.	12 days.	Crown and West Streets.
		WESTMINSTER.			
20th ,,	Earl Street, from Horseferry Road to Page Street, Johnson Street, and Grosvenor Street.	Repaving, &c. Works.	6 weeks. each	6 weeks. each	Millbank Row, Regent, &c., Streets.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

7. The Solicitor reported that the Plaintiffs in the action commenced against the Board by Mr. Chippindale and others, as trustees of Amias's Charity, for compensation in respect of property in Old-street, St. Luke's, had delivered their Declaration.

Resolved—That the Declaration be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates.

8. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Railway Bill had been read a first time in the House of Lords, and that it would be necessary before the next Meeting of the Board, to present the Board's petition against the Bill.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said petition when necessary.

9. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the next Meeting of the Board to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against other Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any Petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next Meeting of the Board.

10. The Solicitor reported that the Master of the Rolls would, he believed, give his judgment in the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, relative to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath, on Monday next.

11. The Solicitor reported that the Corporation of London Bill, and the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill stood for second reading on the 18th May next; and that neither the Gas and Water Facilities Bill, nor the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill, were yet printed.

12. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing, viz.:—

Three Agreements, in duplicate, with Mr. James Broadbridge, for leases of plots Nos. 10 and 11, Plots Nos. 19 to 28 both inclusive, and plots Nos. 46 to 63 both inclusive, in High-street, Kensington.

Lease from the Board to Mr. John Saunders, of premises in Burdett Road.

Contract with Messrs. Parsons and Telling, for the erection of a Fire Brigade Station in Hermitage-street, Paddington, and the plans referred to therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said agreements, lease, and contract, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

13. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan District Railway Bill stood for third reading on Wednesday next.

14. The Solicitor also reported that the Committee on the Tramways (Government) Bill would he believed, meet again on Monday next, but that neither Counsel nor Agents would be admitted to the room, and that the Committee would consider the Bill as redrawn during the recess.

15. The Solicitor also reported that the Committee on the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill would meet the first week in May, but that the exact day was not yet fixed.

16. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion had been given by Mr. William Henry Smith, M.P., for Monday next, "To move that an humble address be presented to Her Majesty praying that She will be pleased to direct that no buildings be erected on that portion of the Thames Embankment which is reserved to the Crown and which has been reclaimed from the river at the cost of the ratepayers of the Metropolis," and that Mr. Smith had also given notice of a further motion relative to the reclaimed land on the Thames Embankment, North, and would move for a Return of the total cost to the Ratepayers of the Metropolis of the Embankment between those points referred to in his notice, and of the

amount paid to the Crown for their right in the foreshore, inclusive of the claim of the Duchy of Lancaster.

17. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
22nd April, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

The premises of the five applicants in the accompanying schedule having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of two calendar months and eight days from the 22nd instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
HACKNEY	Gardner, Jno.	15,014	167, Mare Street	1	Shop btls.
ISLINGTON	Rose, Eldred	15,015	36, Hanley Road, West, Hornsey Road	10	Yard P. d.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE	Facey, Jas. Wm.	15,026	5, Sutherland Terrace, Pimlico	5	,, ,,
WANDSWORTH	Portch, Wm. and Co.	15,017	74, Park Road, Clapham	10	Shed ,,
WESTMINSTER	Tipper, Richard	15,016	194, Vauxhall Bridge Road, Pimlico	5	Yard ,,

The several licenses were then laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. BETHNAL GREEN.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas J. Hill, on behalf of Messrs. William Streeton and Sons, requesting the Board to modify the condition imposed by their Order of the 1st October, 1869, (No. 37), with respect to the erection of a greenhouse on the lead flat over the shop at the premises, No. 160, Hackney-road, so far as relates to the raising of the party-wall.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

19. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. A. Alexander, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for buildings in Church-road (commonly called Wellington-road), as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be not granted.

20. CAMBERWELL.—**Resolved**—That the consideration of the application of Messrs. Colls and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay windows and an open porch in front of the house, No. 85, Asylum-road, Peckham, be adjourned until Friday next.

21. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. F. Smyrke, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for a row of shops, and to the formation of new roads to lead into the Hatcham Park Estate, New Cross-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

22. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward P. Nunn, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window in front of a house, in course of erection, in Oakfield-road, Downs-road, Hackney Downs, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

23. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of the Rev. M. Davison, for the consent of the Board to the lines of frontage on the site of a proposed Presbyterian Church at the corner of Cricket Field-road and Downs Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That so much of the application as relates to the frontage line in Cricket Field-road be granted; that the frontage line in Downs Park-road be not sanctioned, but that the applicant be permitted to bring forward the end of the church to the building line marked blue on the Plan; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

24. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Tosh, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an additional building in the rear of the house, No. 257, Caledonian-road, and abutting on Bingfield-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

25. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. Walsingham Hart, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition at the side of the house, No. 390, Camden-road, at the corner of Hillmarten-road, and the construction of a glass verandah at the back of the house, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed side addition to the house be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, and that the verandah be constructed of incombustible materials, in accordance with the requirements of the Metropolitan Building Act.

26. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. A. Young, for the sanction of the Board to retain a bay window recently erected 3 feet 8 inches beyond the front of the house, No. 1, Wilkinson-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted, and that the applicant be permitted to construct a bay window to the house in question, provided it does not project beyond the two bay windows erected in front of the houses at the end of the street, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

27. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Hart, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop front on part of the forecourt of the house, No. 132, Dorset-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

28. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Alder, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay windows in front of the houses, Nos. 5 and 6, Alder-terrace, Lyham-road, Brixton-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed bay windows be set back in a line and be so constructed as to correspond with that at No. 1, Alder-terrace; and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

29. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Giles, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a conservatory at the side of the house, No. 18, Spencer-place, Brixton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

30. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Ebdon, for the consent of the Board to the construction of barge boards to a detached house situate in Wynal-road, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

31. Mile End Old Town.—**Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the consideration of the application of Mr. Thomas Mihill, for the consent of the Board to the erection of cart-sheds and workshops on vacant ground adjoining No. 147, Stepney-green, be adjourned until Friday next.

32. Mile End Old Town.—**Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the consideration of the application of Mr. John Sherman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a tiled lean-to, to form on open shop or stall on the forecourt of the house, No. 15, Leopold-place, Devonshire-street, be adjourned until Friday next.

33. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alfred Campion, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three shops on a portion of the forecourt of a house at the corner of Brunswick-terrace, Camberwell-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

34. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th April 1870, on the application of Mr. B. B. Sapwell, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a stone and iron balcony in front of the house, No. 47, Hertford-street, Mayfair, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Matthew Hackforth, on behalf of Mr. H. Beaumont, M.P., for the consent of the Board to the construction of a stone and iron balcony in front of the house, No. 11, Dover-street, Piccadilly, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed erection be securely supported on iron cantilevers and that the erection, in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. William and George Hailes, for the approval by the Board of a wood and iron balcony erected in front of the house, No. 114, Buckingham-place-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the balcony be constructed with stone landings pinned into the wall, and supported upon iron

cantilevers, and be surrounded with iron palisading, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. St. James, Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. J. H. and A. Bywater, for the consent of the Board to bring forward the shop front of No. 252, Regent-street, in advance of the adjoining shop fronts as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

38. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. F. Holsworth, on behalf of Mr. Puseley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two stables in Rochester-place, in the rear of Nos. 15 and 16, Rochester-terrace, Kentish-town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

39. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edwin Johnson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at Shirley-grove, Lavender-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

40. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Kennedy, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to a pair of semi-detached houses at West-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the soffits of the proposed eaves be covered with cement one inch thick.

41. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mrs. L. Loobliner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a light roof in the side yard of the premises, No. 12, Tenter-street, North, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

42. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Kent, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary iron church in Blue Anchor-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

43. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Vavasseur, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary iron chapel in Cemetery-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

44. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Thomas Bradford and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft in Half Moon-lane, Herne Hill.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made in accordance with the provisions of the Building Act and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

45. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st April, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. Lawrie, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a greenhouse in the rear of his house, No. 37, Woodstock-road, Shepherd's-bush, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

46. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. G. Ginham, on behalf of the Rev. Mr. Corrington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary iron church opposite Keith-terrace, Uxbridge-road, Shepherd's-bush, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

47. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Armstrong, on behalf of Messrs. Lucas Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a temporary wooden building near Downs Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

48. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Ferguson and Co., requesting the Board to modify the conditions imposed by their Order of the 3rd December, 1869, (No. 52), with respect to the enclosure of an open shed erected at their wharf at Millwall, and to permit the enclosure as explained in their present application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

49. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Lee, on behalf of the British Land Company (Limited) for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to connect Upland-road and Underhill-road on their Estate at Dulwich, and of the name "Henslowe-road" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted.

50. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Harris, for the consent of the Board to a deviation from the Plan sanctioned by the Board on the 13th December, 1867, (No. 37), for the formation of Wickwood-street, Brixton, by allowing the upper end of the street to be of a less width than 40 feet, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

51. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Evans, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for seven houses about to be erected at Hanover-cottages, Park-road, and to the widening of the said road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

52. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April 1870, on the application of Messrs. W. H. and S. Mansbridge, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the continuation of certain roads on the St. John's College Estate, Kentish Town.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report; and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

53. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. A. Hill, on behalf of Mr. Charles Kynock, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Wandsworth-road on the north towards Clapham Common on the south.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

54. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles H. Rew, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a new road, and a paved footway, to lead out of Grant-road, Clapham Junction, and of the name "Rayner-street" for the proposed new street.

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the proposed new road be approved on condition that the approaches thereto from Grant-road be made of the full width of 40 feet throughout, but that the formation of the intended footway be not sanctioned.

55. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Peacock, for the sanction of the Board to a deviation from the Plan approved by them on the 2nd October, 1868, (No. 35), for the formation of Glanfield-road, and the continuation of four roads into Glanfield-road, between High-street and Lombard-road, Battersea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that Lombard-road be widened to 20 feet from its present centre.

56. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of the Vestry of Camberwell, requesting the Board to change the name of George-street, Green Hundred-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

57. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the incorporation of Halkin-terrace with Lowndes-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. Binney, for the incorporation of that portion of the New Finchley-road which lies between Boundary-road and the "Swiss Cottage," with Finchley-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of Lord Mahon, for the incorporation of Hopkin's-row with James-street.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

60. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment by the Board, of Fees to Mr. John Young and Mr. Edward Power, Surveyors of the Eastern and Southern Divisions of the City of London, respectively, in respect of services performed by them in connection with Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

Resolved and **ordered**—That the fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 6 inclusive, be paid to Mr. John Young, and Mr. Edward Power, the District Surveyors mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by them in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

61. City of London.—Read a communication from Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, dated 11th April, 1870, notifying that the houses Nos. 106 and 107, Shoe-lane, Fleet-street, were about to be re-erected under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, did, on the 11th day of April, 1870, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of the re-erection of the houses Nos. 106 and 107, Shoe-lane, Fleet-street, within the District aforesaid; and the said Rawlinson Parkinson has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the eastern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Young is hereby appointed to survey

the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

62. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Enoch Clarke and Son, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their factory, No. 143, Neate-street, Coburg-road, Old Kent-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

63. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Kensington for permission to borrow the sum of £10,000, for defraying the cost of improvements in the Mall, Notting-hill, Brompton-road, High-street, Notting-hill, Old Brompton-road, and Campden-hill; and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary Abbott, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts amending the same, or some of them, have applied to this Board for its sanction in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the General Rates leviable within the said Parish and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of Ten thousand pounds for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Acts, being the expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in widening, extending, and improving certain public thoroughfares, or portions thereof, known as the Mall, Notting-hill; Brompton-road, (Queen's-buildings); High-street, Notting-hill; Old Brompton-road, (Prospect-place); and Campden-hill, within the said Parish, and for completing certain improvements connected therewith. And **whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry, for the purpose aforesaid. Therefore it is **Ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and the same is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary Abbott, Kensington, from the Directors of the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society on the security of the General Rates leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto of a sum of Ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying the said expenses, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of four pounds five shillings per centum, per annum, the principal to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 12th April, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Kensington; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

64. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the St. Saviour's District Board for permission to borrow the sum of £2,000 for paving works in the District, and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Saint Saviour's District, in the County of Surrey, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said District, and by law, applicable thereto, of a sum of two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in the execution of certain works of paving within the said District. And **whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction, is hereby given for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Saint Saviour's District on the security of the

General Rate leviable within the said District and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in the execution of the said works of paving within the said District, such Loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum, and to be repaid by ten equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the Loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest on the principal sum from time to time remaining due to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. H. Sturmy, Clerk to the District Board, dated 19th April, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the St. Saviour's District Board; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

65. The Clerk presented a letter from the Hon. A. F. O. Liddell, Home Office, dated 12th April, 1870, with a copy of despatch addressed to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris, by Captain Hore, calling attention to Mr. Galibert's Apparatus "Appariel Respiratoire," and stating that the Home Secretary considered that the invention might be of use to the Fire Brigade.

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration.

66. The Clerk presented a letter from the Hon. A. F. O. Liddell, Home Office, dated 12th April, 1870, with a copy of a letter containing the observations of the Commissioners of Customs on the Memorandum from the Board with regard to the storage, &c., of Petroleum.

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

67. Read the following letter—

The Board of Works for the Lewisham District.
Grove-place, Lewisham, Kent, S.E., 12th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I send you, by direction of this Board, a copy of a resolution passed by them at their last meeting with reference to the subject of the Metropolitan Water Supply.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) SAML. EDWARDS,
Clerk to the Board.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, "That this Board deem it indispensable that the Water Companies should be "brought under a more efficient control by some adequate authority, but that their interests should "not be purchased by the Metropolitan Board, and that among the means by which the public may "be benefitted this Board deem it indispensable that there should be a constant supply of water "throughout the Metropolis, and that such supply should be made compulsory on the Companies."

68. The Clerk presented a Memorial from Mr. T. G. Atkins, dated 5th April, 1870, praying the Board to construct a road to connect Bethnal-green with Holborn or Oxford-street.

Resolved—That the said Memorial be received.

69. The Clerk presented the following letter—

St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark,
Vestry Hall, Borough-road, 13th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I am desired by this Vestry to communicate the following Resolution—

"That the Metropolitan Board of Works be informed of the numerous and urgent complaints "which are continually being made, especially by inhabitants of the Old Kent-road, to this Vestry, "respecting the very noxious effluvia rising more or less at all times, and frequently with intolera-"ble and sickening effect, from the ventilating holes and manholes connected with several of the "Main Sewers in this district; and that the Board be further respectfully informed that it appears "to this Vestry that such escape of effluvia into the atmosphere on a level with the ground and "amongst a dense population is not in accordance with those provisions of the law which enact that "the works which the Board has been authorised to execute shall be so done as not to create a nui-

"sance, and this Vestry will be glad to be informed whether it is the intention of the Board by "means of ventilating shafts for carrying the effluvia higher into the atmosphere and above the "dwellings of the population, or otherwise, to endeavour to remedy these grievous and too well "founded complaints of a nuisance which according to all acknowledged medical science is injurious "to public health and must increase the rate of mortality."

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) DANIEL BIRT.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for report.

70. The Clerk presented the following letter—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea.
Vestry Hall, King's-road, S.W., 14th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—At a Meeting of this Vestry on Tuesday last, the 12th instant, the following Resolution was passed, and I was directed to send a copy of the same to you, for the information of the Metropolitan Board of Works.—

"That, in the opinion of this Vestry, the three Bills introduced by Mr. Buxton, viz.—the "Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis,) the 'Corporation of London,' and the 'County of Lon-"don,' would not tend to the better or more economical government of the Metropolis, "and that no necessity for disturbing the present municipal arrangements in the way "proposed has been made to appear."

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

71. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 14th April, 1870, stating that the Vestry will set back the wall over the Ranelagh Sewer at Grosvenor Bridge to the satisfaction of the Board, and will submit to them, when settled, the design for the wall.

72. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. John Layton, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 16th April, 1870, stating, in reply to the letter from this Board respecting the use of a steam roller in Highbury New Park, that the works of road repairs were on the eve of completion on the receipt of such communication, and that they had since been finished without complaint from anyone.

73. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Vestry of Camberwell, dated 16th April, 1870, requesting this Board to alter the name of Arthur-street, Clifton-road, Peckham, to "King Arthur-street."

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to the Committee thereon.

74. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. W. Jones, dated 20th April, 1870, requesting the Board to receive a deputation on the subject of freeing Chelsea New Bridge from toll, and a letter from Mr. E. Muspratt, dated 20th April, 1870, requesting the Board to receive a deputation from a Meeting held at the "Victoria Hotel," Queen's-road, Battersea, on the same subject.

Resolved—That the deputations referred to be received at the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, and that the parties be so informed.

75. The Clerk presented the following letter—

London, 21st April, 1870.

To Sir John Thwaites,
Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Sir,—We understand that Government has consented to the Metropolitan Board of Works compounding for the $\frac{1}{8}$ per cent. stamp duty on the transfer of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. stock by a payment of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

We take the liberty of addressing you to urge the desirability of your Board making this payment ; we urge this as an act of justice to the subscribers of the recent issue, who subscribed under an advertisement in which no mention was made of transfer stamp of ½ per cent.

It would, moreover, most materially benefit the Board of Works in their future issues. If the transfer is not made free, it is safe to say that future issues would command a price many per cents. below the present market price of 93, which, allow us to remark to you, is almost nominal and which is maintained solely by the hope of the transfer stamp being removed.

It is necessary to point out that one of the great reasons for the high price of Government stocks is found, in the extreme facility of transfer and dealing with them; and if the same facility were to exist with respect to the stock of the Metropolitan Board of Works, it cannot be doubted that it would range at a figure commensurate with its inherent value and security.

We beg to remain, &c.,

(Signed) N. M. ROTHSCHILD and SONS,
Per Pro. LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK,
WM. EWINGS, General Manager.
MULLENS, MARSHALL, & Co.
R. RAPHAEL and SONS.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

76. The Clerk presented a notice from Mr. E. W. James, dated 13th April, 1870, on behalf of the Vestry of Greenwich, requiring the Board, forthwith, to repair the engine-house, and the dwelling-house adjoining, in Blissett-street, Greenwich, in accordance with their agreement with the Vestry, dated 5th November, 1866.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration.

Adjourned until Friday next the 29th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 16.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **29th** day of **April**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq
John Runtz, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.	James Brooker, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	Sir William Tite, M.P.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 22nd instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings respectively.

2. A Deputation from a Committee of inhabitants of Pimlico, introduced by Colonel Hogg, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. W. Peek, M.P., Sir C. Dilke, Bart., M.P., Mr. G. T. Smith, Mr. Menhenick, Mr. Walter Jones, and Mr. S. W. Graff, attended the Board and presented a Memorial on the subject of freeing Chelsea new Bridge from Toll.

A Deputation from inhabitants of Battersea and the surrounding districts, introduced by Mr. Meaden, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.—Mr. H. W. Peek, M.P., Mr. H. Wallace, Mr. David Leslie, M.D., Mr. E. Muspratt, Mr. George Todd, Mr. W. H. Kempster, Mr. Robert Miller, and Mr. James Lord, also attended the Board and presented a Memorial on the same subject.

The Memorials in question were read as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Committee of Inhabitants of Pimlico and others appointed at a Public Meeting, held on the 23rd March last,

Sheweth—

That Chelsea New Bridge and Battersea Park were constructed under the provisions of two Acts of Parliament, which, though separate, formed one scheme, the money being advanced by the Treasury Loan Commissioners—that for the Bridge on the security of the tolls, that for the Park on certain building land reserved in and around it.

That the Park has been constructed for the benefit of the inhabitants of Westminster, Pimlico, Chelsea,and other south-western districts of the Metropolis, and it is felt that with the existing tolls on the Bridge (the main access to the Park from the Middlesex side), the residents in the above districts are placed in a disadvantageous position when compared with other inhabitants of London, who can enjoy public parks in their respective neighbourhoods without having to pay for entrance to them.

That many of your Memorialists warned the Government of the day, 13 years since of the prejudicial effect likely to ensue to the building land reserved in and around the Park by the infliction of the toll, the land being calculated on for repaying the cost (or the greater portion) of constructing the Park, but the toll was persisted in on the plea that the money expended on the building of the bridge was borrowed on the security of the tolls, and any departure from that arrangement would be a breach of faith. Against this it was urged that the increased value of the land by the removal of the toll would compensate for any temporary loss on this latter head, but the statement was ridiculed. Time has shown the correctness of the view taken by the opponents of the toll, a quantity of small houses has grown up round the Park, and the land to a great extent remains unrealized, and according to a late Parliamentary return, it appears that the Bridge fund is sinking deeper into debt every year, and therefore, the result of keeping faith with the country is to preserve £1,600 a year, which is the average net income of the tolls, and about a third only of the interest on the £90,000 and upwards that the Bridge has cost, thereby causing a loss of about £3,000 a year to the Treasury, while the remaining building land continues unproductive, and is likely each year to become more prejudiced by the short-sighted policy of keeping up the tolls.

Your Memorialists are advised by persons competent to give an opinion, that the remaining 56 acres of land would, with a free bridge, most likely realize sufficient to provide a surplus fund for the maintenance of the structure, supposing the bridge be purchased by the Metropolitan Board of Works. The Select Committee of the House of Commons reported in 1857 that "it is not "desirable for the Government to continue in possession of such property as a toll paying bridge, "and they recommend that a Bill be introduced for the purpose of enabling the Government to "dispose of the bridge on such terms as the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury may "determine, having due regard to the increased value of the Government property if the bridge "should be made wholly or partially toll free."

Your Memorialists therefore respectfully solicit your Honorable Board to take into consideration the advisability of carrying out the recommendation of the Select Committee, and devise such measures for the removal of the grievance as the Board in its wisdom may deem requisite.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

April 29th, 1870. (Signed) WALTER THOMAS JONES, Hon. Sec.

To the Honorable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the inhabitants of Battersea and the surrounding Districts hereby humbly

SHEWETH—

That an Act of Parliament was passed in the year 1846 to form a Park in Battersea Fields, and to build a bridge across the Thames, and form approaches thereto.

In accordance with the Act the "Chelsea Suspension Bridge" was erected, the financial state of which is at present most unsatisfactory. For the last ten years the tolls collected amount to an average of about £1,600 annually. The total sum now due on the Bridge (being the principal and accumulation of interest) is about £97,000. The anticipated liquidation of this debt by the tolls has been a signal failure. The tolls collected for the last year were about £300 less than the previous years. Your Memorialists complain that the Government have allowed about 56 acres of the land unappropriated by the Park to be unproductive up to the present time, as it is only a few weeks since that advertisements appeared that this land was to be let for building purposes. The said land might probably have been sold at £2,400 per acre, the price obtained for portions formerly disposed of; thus a sum of about £134,400 has been locked up for the last fifteen years, which at simple interest would have now amounted to about £215,000. Your Memorialists respectfully submit that these lands should be sold or disposed of as speedily as possible, and the proceeds thereof appropriated for the purpose of freeing the bridge from tolls. Your Memorialists further consider the system of tolls a most wasteful and expensive way of collecting revenue, and is therefore bad in principle and inconvenient in operation. Your Memorialists in conclusion respectfully pray your Honorable Board to take such measures as you may deem most expedient for the speedy abolition of the tolls on "Chelsea Suspension Bridge," by which a large number of houses now unlet in Battersea, specially adapted for the working classes, may find tenants, and thereby relieve the over crowded population of Districts on the Middlesex side by providing them with more healthful, convenient, and cheaper homes.

(Signed) E. MUSPRATT,

April 28th, 1870. Secretary.

The Deputations having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Colonel Hogg, seconded by Mr. Meaden—That the said Memorials be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. The Clerk reported that applications had been received from Candidates for the appointments of Gas Examiners at the Testing-houses at Chelsea, Camden Town, Dalston, and Peckham, to test the Gas supplied by the Imperial Gas and South Metropolitan Gas Companies, respectively, and he laid the same before the Board as follows—

Name and Address.	Station.
Craik, James, 150, Southgate-road, N.	Dalston.
Day, James John, F.C.S., 11, Redclyffe-street, S.W.	Chelsea.
Foster, William, Pharmaceutical Society, 17, Bloomsbury-square.	Peckham.
Grimwood, Robert, Laboratory, Court House, St. Marylebone.	Camden Town or Chelsea.
Hills, W. J., 3, Canterbury-road, St. John's-road, Faversham.	Dalston or Peckham.
Lincoln, J., 74, Culford-road, Kingsland.	Dalston.
Rumball, Samuel, Medical College, London Hospital.	Dalston or any of the other stations.
Salter, Mostyn J., 18, St. George's-road, Kilburn.	Dalston or Camden Town.
Taylor, Joseph, 24, Radnor-street, Peckham.	Peckham.
Thresh, J. T., M.A., Ph. D., F.A.S.L., F.R.G.S. (Ire) &c., Old Palace, Richmond.	Any station.
Williams, T. J., 106, Rye-lane, Peckham.	Peckham.
Wood, George M., 80, Mile-end-road.	Dalston or any of the other stations.
Young, W. C., 98, Leadenhall-street.	Chelsea.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the several applications be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to examine the Candidates and their Testimonials, and submit to the Board the names of not less than two for each appointment, with a view to the selection by the Board of one for each appointment.

4. Mr. Lammin handed in Memorials which were read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Fulham District

SHEWETH—

That in the parish of Hammersmith, in this district, there is a large unenclosed common known by the name of Shepherd's Bush.

That this common is situate between two public roads, the one leading to Uxbridge, and the other to the Great Western-road, at the west end of the said parish.

That the common is of but little use to the inhabitants arising from the fact that, from its being unenclosed, all classes ride their horses and donkeys thereon, sometimes with considerable danger to the children amusing themselves on the common, and at all times cutting up the turf, and rendering large portions of the said common impassable for pedestrians.

This Board suggest, that the road leading across it from south to north, as shown upon the accompanying Plan, should be diverted, and made along the front of Lawn-place, the common inclosed, and laid out somewhat after the style of Kennington-common, and maintained for the future by similar means.

And they memorialize the Metropolitan Board of Works that this may be done accordingly.

27th April, 1870. By order,

(Signed) W. LOVELY, Clerk.

L.S.

To the Honourable the Chairman and Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN—

We, the undersigned owners and occupiers of property at, and in the vicinity of, Shepherd's Bush, in the parish of Hammersmith, being informed that the Fulham District Board of Works intend memorialising your Honourable Board on the question of inclosing and laying out Shepherd's Bush Common after the manner of Kennington, hereby desire to add our prayer that you will be pleased to accede to their request. For years this place has been little better than a public nuisance; at certain times no respectable person daring to venture thereon; whereas at a moderate outlay it could be made to answer the purpose of a park, and be a great boon, not only to this parish, but to the community generally.

(Signed) FRANCIS B. MORLEY, J.P., D.L.,
14, Norland-place, Notting-hill.
And 93 others.

Hammersmith, 18th April, 1870.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lammin, seconded by Mr Roche—That the said Memorials be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Moreland handed in a communication which was read as follows—

Vestry Clerk's Office,
St. Luke's Vestry Hall,
City Road, E.C.
27th April, 1870.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN—I am directed by the Vestry of this Parish to forward for your consideration the following copy of a Resolution passed at its meeting on the 26th instant, on the reading of a letter from the Vestry of Shoreditch forwarding a copy of a Memorial to your Board as to Willow-walk.

"RESOLVED—That this Vestry approves of the proposed widening of Willow-walk referred to "in the Memorial of the Vestry of Shoreditch and that the Metropolitan Board of Works be respect-"fully urged to carry out this improvement."

I am, &c.
(Signed) W. W. HAYNE,
Vestry Clerk.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates.

6. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 26th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have received from the Accountant, the following statement of the Cash Account of the Board—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 23rd April, 1870. In Debt.	Balances, 23rd April, 1870. In Credit.	Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances. In Debt.	Net Balances. In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	80,074 11 10	1,910 18 8	..	78,163 13 2
Fire Brigade	..	12,793 18 6	2,512 7 10	..	10,281 10 8
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	501,086 1 1	260 19 10	..	500,825 1 3
Fire Brigade	..	14,818 12 2	355 17 4	..	14,462 14 10
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,784 16 9	..	..	1,784 16 9
Victoria Park Approach	4,219 14 10	..	..	4,219 14 10	..
Finsbury Park	..	421 2 7	..	..	421 2 7
Southwark Park	..	895 6 4	..	..	895 6 4
Whitechapel Improvement	3,245 4 9	..	..	3,245 4 9	..
Kensington Improvement	..	5,769 19 3	172 7 0	..	5,597 12 3
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	47,661 9 9	4,776 3 0	..	42,885 6 9
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	4,269 5 11	..	2,276 6 6	6,545 12 5	..
Park Lane Improvement	..	2,841 2 4	..	..	2,841 2 4
Chelsea Embankment	..	1,611 3 3	..	..	1,611 3 3
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Holborn Improvement	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Firemen's Savings Fund	..	682 15 1	..	..	682 15 1
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,892 5 4	..	..	1,892 5 4
Consolidated Loans Fund	21,567 16 8	..	..	21,567 16 8	..
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	33,302 2 2	674,171 1 7	12,265 0 2	35,578 8 8	664,182 7 11
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	33,302 2 2	..	..	35,578 8 8
		640,868 19 5	..	..	628,603 19 3
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	961 14 5	502 8 0	..	459 6 5
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
Thames Embankment, North	..	28,170 18 4	4,300 0 0	..	23,870 18 4
Southern Embankment	..	159,487 10 2	362 9 1	..	159,125 1 1
Mansion House Street	..	32,486 0 10	358 8 1	..	32,127 12 9
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	220,144 9 4	5,020 17 2	..	215,123 12 2
AGGREGATE TOTALS	£	861,975 3 2	17,788 5 4	..	844,186 17 10

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,259 16s. 11d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d. Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d. New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Firemen's Savings Fund	2,066 12s. 11d. Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN, Accountant.

Your Committee have further to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same corrrect, and they recommend—

That the sums mentioned therein, amounting in the whole to £12,952 1s. 4d., be paid.

Your Committee have also to report that they have received an application from Messrs. Judd and Glass, the printers to the Board, for a payment of £350, on account of their bill for printing to Lady-day last, which is now under examination. Your Committee find that there is a sufficient sum payable to Messrs. Judd and Glass to enable the Board safely to comply with their request; they, therefore, recommend—

That a cheque be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass for the sum of £350, on account of their bill for printing for the Board to Lady-day last.

The attention of your Committee has been called to a cheque drawn on the Fire Brigade Account, on the 16th April, 1869, for £333 12s. 4d., in favour of Mr. A. Gunn, to be paid into the London and Westminster Bank, in connexion with the purchase of the land for the Adelaide-road Fire Brigade Station; and also to a cheque drawn on the same Account for £22 5s. 0d., in favour of Mr. W. Eyre, for the proportionate cost of making up roads adjacent to the Adelaide-road Station, neither of which cheques have been required, owing to the altered circumstances of the case. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That the following cheques be cancelled, viz.:—

Fire Brigade.

No. 1787, £333 12s. 4d., drawn 16th April, 1869, in favour of Mr. A. Gunn, to be paid into the London and Westminster Bank, *re* Adelaide-road Fire Brigade Station.

No. 2067, £22 5s. 0d., drawn 6th August, 1869, in favour of Mr. W. Eyre.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
ED. COLLINSON,
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
HART, W. P.—		
(3965) Half-year's Rent of Premises, Norman Road, Greenwich, due Lady-day, 1870	14 0 0	
EQUITABLE GAS LIGHT COMPANY—		
(3966) Gas supplied, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—		
Office, Spring Gardens £64 11 6		
Outlet of King's Scholars' Pond Sewer 1 0 0		
	65 11 6	
COOK, R. J., AND CO.—		
(3967) Copies of Outline Map of London, March, 1870	2 10 0	
STORY BROTHERS—		
(3968) Office Furniture and Repairs, January and February, 1870 ..	9 3 4	
BOGGIS, G. E., Housekeeper—		
(3969) Assistance in Cleaning Offices, &c.—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	9 16 3	
HANCOCK, J. L.—		
(3970) India Rubber Tubing for Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster, January, 1870	2 15 8	
DETHRIDGE, G., Gas-meter Inspector—		
(3971) Petty Disbursements, January to March, 1870	5 16 0	
BANK OF ENGLAND—		
(3972) Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Loan of £50,000, due 3rd May, 1870	1,102 5 9	
COULSON, STOKES, AND CO.—		
(3973) Iron and other Materials for Pumping Stations, July to September, 1869—		
Abbey Mills £68 16 5		
Cremorne 13 2 4		
Crossness 22 9 7		
Deptford 41 7 9		
	145 16 1	
		1,357 14 7

FIRE BRIGADE.

JONES, E. A.—		
(2452) Repairs at Portland Road Station, April, 1870	4 16 0	
KENNARD, R. W., & Co.—		
(2453) Portable Copper with pipe, &c., for Bow Station, March, 1870 ..	2 18 10	
Carried forward	£7 14 10	1,357 14 7

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..			7 14 10	1,357 14 7
Wescombe, S.—					
(2454) Repairs at Hammersmith Station, February, 1870				3 3 3	
Blenkarn, T.—					
(2455) White-washing and Repairing Stables at George Yard, and Repairing Holborn Station, March, 1870				10 3 6	
Smith, G.—					
(2456) Repairs at Stations, March, 1870—					
Stoke Newington	£0 10 9				
De Beauvoir Town	0 6 6				
South Hackney	6 5 0				
Watling Street	0 2 6				
		7 4 9			
Wellclose Square		5 0 0			
				12 4 9	
Guardians of the Poor of St. Marylebone—					
(2457) One Quarter's Rent of Premises in Charles Street, Portland Town, due Lady-day, 1870				9 15 0	
Phillips, J., Law Stationer—					
(2458) Fair Copying, October, 1869	£4 12 10				
Stamps	0 1 3				
		4 14 1			
Ditto November, ,, ...	£3 10 4				
Stamps	4 16 3				
		8 6 7			
Ditto December, , ...	£1 18 11				
Stamps	5 18 9				
		7 17 8			
				20 18 4	
Bills for Horse-hire for Engines—Quarter ending 31st March, 1870—					
(2459) Bobbett, J.—					
Westminster Station	£74 0 0				
Portland Road ,, ...	54 0 0				
Kennington ,, ...	74 0 0				
Southwark ,, ...	54 0 0				
Waterloo Road ,, ...	54 0 0				
		310 0 0			
(2460) Bridge, I.—					
Fulham ,, ...	£16 18 0				
St. John's Wood ,, ...	20 0 0				
Hampstead ,, ...	16 18 0				
		53 16 0			
(2461) Ware, T.—					
Bayswater ,, ...	£10 0 0				
Paddington ,, ...	28 0 0				
		38 0 0			
(2462) Webster, J.—					
Farringdon Street ,, ...	£74 0 0				
Islington ,, ...	32 0 0				
St. Luke's ,, ...	30 0 0				
St. Giles's ,, ...	32 2 6				
Holborn ,, ...	60 2 6				
		228 5 0			
(2463) Stapleton, R.—					
Watling Street ,, ...	£120 0 0				
Tooley Street ,, ...	41 10 0				
		161 10 0			
(2464) Wasmuth, T.—					
Wellclose Square ,, ...	£74 0 0				
Ratcliff ,, ...	50 16 0				
		124 16 0			
Carried forward		£916 7 0		63 19 8	1,357 14 7

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		Brought forward	£916 7 0	63 19 8	1,357 14 7
BILLS FOR HORSE-HIRE FOR ENGINES—(Continued)—					
(2465)	Atkins, W.—				
	Hackney Station	£26 10 0			
	Bishopsgate ,, ...	53 2 6			
			79 12 6		
(2466)	Floyd, G.—Brompton ,, ...		18 5 0		
(2467)	Pummell, G.— Kensington ,, ...		9 0 0		
(2468)	Simpson, T.—Hammersmith ,, ...		15 12 6		
(2469)	Cole, S.—Notting Hill ,, ...		12 15 0		
(2470)	Brecy, C.—Baker Street ,, ...		25 1 3		
(2471)	Smith, J.—Regent Street ,, ...		33 0 0		
(2472)	Venables, R. F.—Highgate ,, ...		13 10 0		
(2473)	Buer, G.—Chandos Street ,, ...		53 0 0		
(2474)	Honnor, J.—St. Pancras ,, ...		13 13 0		
(2475)	Baldwin, E.—Bethnal Green ,, ...		6 0 0		
(2476)	Abbott, J.—Bethnal Green ,, ...		29 0 0		
(2477)	Hurlock, J.—South Hackney ,, ...		17 5 0		
(2478)	Arber, G.—Stoke Newington ,, ...		20 7 6		
(2479)	Puddefoot, G.—Mile End ,, ...		38 0 0		
(2480)	Philpot, F.—Bow ,, ...		27 2 6		
(2481)	Edmonds, J.—Poplar ,, ...		36 2 6		
(2482)	Tydeman, R.—Shoreditch Station		50 7 6		
(2483)	Jones, J.—De Beauvoir Town ,, ...		17 10 0		
(2484)	Lyons, J.—Whitechapel ,, ...		23 17 6		
(2485)	West, T.—Rotherhithe ,, ...		15 10 6		
(2486)	Martin, R.—Old Kent Road ,, ...		35 15 0		
(2487)	Dixon, W.—Greenwich ,, ...		7 10 0		
(2488)	Abrahams, T.—Greenwich ,, ...		8 17 0		
(2489)	Roffey, J.—Woolwich ,, ...		19 10 0		
(2490)	Sabin, G.—Lewisham ,, ...		27 6 0		
(2491)	Kemp, T. B.—Camberwell ,, ...		19 5 0		
(2492)	Jayne, A.—Sydenham ,, ...		17 10 0		
(2493)	Lovett, T.—Brixton ,, ...		9 5 0		
(2494)	Thornton, A.—Clapham ,, ...		27 6 0		
(2495)	Nightingale, W. C.—Tooting ,, ...		27 6 0		
(2496)	Williams, Mrs. S.—Wandsworth ,, ...		18 17 6		
				1,689 6 9	
PADDINGTON VESTRY—					
(2497)	Allowance for preparing List of Fire-plugs in the Parish			10 10 0	
MEDICAL OFFICERS, &c.—Attendance on Firemen, Quarter ending 25th March—					
(2498)	Propert, J. L. District A.		£24 15 0		
(2499)	Saunders, Dr. ,, B.		24 6 8		
(2500)	Woodforde, W. T. G. ,, C.		22 1 8		
(2501)	Browne, C. F. ,, D.		35 8 8		
				106 12 0	
					1,870 8 5
	SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION.				
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—					
(86)	Commission on Rents Collected—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870				7 4 8
	MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.				
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—					
(40)	Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Tower Hill to New Earl Street				4,890 0 0
	MANSION HOUSE STREET.				
MOWLEM, J., AND CO., Contractors—					
(50)	Further on account of new Street from Blackfriars to Mansion House, Eastern portion				1,827 0 0
		Carried forward			£9,952 7 8

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	..	9,952 7 8

TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—

CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—

(9) *General*—

Weekly Wages—Week ending 6th April £270 3 1		
Do. do. 13th ,, 264 19 2		
Do. do. 20th ,, 268 16 7		
	803 18 10	
Petty Cash Payments—5th to 25th April, 1870 ..	84 14 8	
Rates & Taxes, for Premises used for Drainage Purposes	10 7 2	
Do. for Gas-meter Testing-houses ..	16 3 10	
Insurance for Office, Spring Gardens, One Year, due 27th April, 1870	4 0 0	
		919 4 6
Fire Brigade—		
Weekly Wages, Draughtsman—Three Weeks to 20th April, 1870	£7 10 0	
Ditto, Firemen—Week ending 9th April £512 8 6		
Do. do. 16th ,, 511 5 6		
Do. do. 23rd ,, 511 2 6		
	1,534 16 6	
Firemen's Savings Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the service	5 12 0	
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations ..	4 16 6	
Rent of Station, Rotherhithe, to Lady-day, 1870 ..	8 11 4	
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Three Weeks to 23rd April, 1870	4 13 0	
Rates, Gas, and Water, for sundry Stations ..	315 9 2	
		1,881 8 6
Whitechapel Improvement—		
Weekly Wages—Three Weeks to 20th April, 1870		9 9 0
Stingo Lane Improvement—		
Compensations to Weekly Tenants on removal ..	£74 5 0	
Re-laying Water-supply to No. 14, Stingo Lane ..	0 5 0	
		74 10 0
Main Drainage and Main Sewers—		
Weekly Wages—Three Weeks to 20th April, 1870		71 8 0
Chelsea Embankment—		
Weekly Wages—Week ending 13th April, 1870		2 0 0
		2,958 0 0

THAMES EMBANKMENT. DRAWING ACCOUNT.

WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—

(10) *Thames Embankment, North*—

Weekly Wages—Three Weeks to 20th April, 1870		36 9 0
Southern Embankment—		
One Year's Ground Rent of 7, King's Head Yard, to Christmas, 1869		0 10 0
Mansion House Street—		
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 20th April, 1870	£4 4 8	
Witness's Expenses, *re* Chaplin	0 10 0	
		4 14 8
		41 13 8
TOTAL		£12,952 1 4

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,

Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) W. H. DALTON,
ED. COLLINSON,
CHAS. HARRIS.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £12,952 1s. 4d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass for the sum of £350, on account of their bill for printing for the Board to Lady-day last; and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the following cheques be now cancelled, viz:—

Fire Brigade.

No. 1787, £333 12s. 4d., drawn on the 16th April, 1869, in favour of Mr. A. Gunn, to be paid into the London and Westminster Bank—*re* Adelaide-road Fire Brigade Station.

No. 2067, £22 5s 0d., drawn on the 6th August, 1869, in favour of Mr. W. Eyre.

And the said cheques were thereupon cancelled by the Chairman accordingly.

7. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 25th April, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Kensington Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Blanchard—		
Blanchard, Mrs. R.—Interest on Purchase Money £6 1 0		
Less Tax 0 2 6		
	5 18 6	
Re Hughes—		
Hughes, W. H.—Interest on Purchase Money £30 10 9		
Less Tax 0 15 3		
	29 15 6	
One Quarter's Ground Rent, Rates, &c., to 24th June, 1868, (paid by Mr. Hughes in excess)	10 13 0	
		46 7 0

Stingo Lane Improvement.

Re Bird—		
Wellborne, C.—Proportion of Tenants' Rents, to completion, less Tax		9 5 0

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

Re Goldsmid—		
Goldsmid, Julian—Purchase Money, Freehold Land at Crossness	100 0 0	
Stephens and Langdale—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	12 12 0	
Beadel, W. J. & F.—Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ..	5 5 0	
		117 17 0

Thames Embankment, North.

Re Holder's Trustees—		
Compensation for loss of Waterway at Duchy Wharf—		
Admiral H. S. I. Marsham, The Hon. G. W. Milles, and C. J. Plumptre	4,000 0 0	
Morgan, W. V., and Holder, H. L.	300 0 0	
		4,300 0 0
Carried forward		£4,473 9 0

	Brought forward	£4,473	9 0
	Mansion House Street.		
Re Allhallows, Dorset—			
Churchwardens of Allhallows, Dorset—Purchase Money of Rent-charge of £5 on Nos. 1 to 5, Sise Lane		165	0 0
Driver, Mrs. Jane—			
Compensation for removal and for injury during demolition of No. 27, Bucklersbury		20	0 0
		£4,658	9 0

The following cheques, which, for reasons explained to your Committee, had become unnecessary, have been cancelled—

Whitechapel Improvement.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Drawn 21st June, 1869—						
No. 549, Johnson, T.—Purchase-money	160	0	0			
„ 550, Hudson, J.—Surveyor's Fee	8	0	0			
„ 551, Flewitt, S.—Purchase-money	250	0	0			
„ 552, Hudson, J.—Surveyor's Fee	9	0	0			
				427	0	0
Thames Embankment, North.						
Drawn 6th August, 1869—						
No. 1419, *Re* Holder's Trustees—Morgan, W. V., and Holder, H. L.—Compensation for injuriously affecting Duchy Wharf				4,300	0	0
Mansion House Street.						
Drawn 29th November, 1869—						
No. 2172, Driver, Mrs. Jane—Compensation for removal, &c., No. 27, Bucklersbury				15	0	0
				£4,742	0	0

Your Committee have considered the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, asking the Board to contribute towards the cost of an improvement to be effected by laying into the public way a portion of the ground inclosed within the railings at the Western end of St. Paul's Cathedral, referred by the Board on the 18th ultimo, (No 6). The Memorial states that the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's have proposed to give up 6,503 square feet of the ground shown on the Plan accompanying the Memorial for the sum of £20,000, and that it is intended to construct a new inclosure of an ornamental character, and in such a manner as to enable pedestrians to cross over the whole space which will intervene between the steps at the Western entrance of the Cathedral and the space proposed to be given up, subject to certain reserved rights on behalf of the Dean and Chapter to control and stop such traffic on special occasions. It is also intended that the purchase-money, after deducting the cost of the alterations, shall be applied wholly to the adornment of the Cathedral. Your Committee have viewed the locality, and have carefully weighed the representations contained in the Memorial, but they consider that in any plan for an improvement at this point provision should be made for opening up the roadway on the North side of the Cathedral for carriage traffic. The present plan does not provide for this, and consequently your Committee are not prepared to recommend the Board to contribute towards the cost of the proposed improvement.

In compliance with your resolution of the 11th February last, (No. 31), your Committee have considered a letter from Colonel Henderson, Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, transmitting a copy of a letter addressed by him to the President of the Poor Law Board, enclosing a Memorial from inhabitants of East Park Estate, Lower Kennington Lane, Lambeth, urging the importance of continuing Renfrew Road into Brook Street; and asking the Board to support the prayer of the Memorialists. Your Committee have viewed the locality,

but, as it appears that the site in question is required by the Guardians of the Parish of Lambeth for the erection of a new workhouse, and, moreover, that Parliamentary powers would be necessary for the carrying out of the proposed improvement, they recommend that Colonel Henderson be informed that the Board regret their inability to entertain his request.

Your Committee have, from time to time, had under consideration the Metropolitan Buildings Act Amendment Bill, referred by the Board on the 4th March last, (No. 27). The Bill, from its great importance, and the multiplicity of subjects which it embraces, requires very special consideration, and your Committee think it advisable that it should be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with authority to take the necessary steps for promoting the Bill. Your Committee beg to recommend that this course be adopted, and also that Mr. Fowler and Mr. Saunders be added to the Committee for the purposes of this reference.

Your Committee have further to report that they have received, and carefully considered, a report by the Engineer on the subject of the price charged by Messrs. Hill and Keddell, the Board's general contractors, for an arris rail fence. The Engineer has gone very fully into the matter, and has submitted the result of inquiries as to the prices charged by other firms for similar work, and your Committee feel that it is only due to the Engineer that they should place on record their opinion that there is no foundation for the charges made by a Member of the Board, on the 1st instant, against the conduct of that officer in certifying the account of Messrs. Hill and Keddell.

Your Committee have ascertained that it is necessary that a payment should now be made in respect of the redemption of land tax in Finsbury Park. The amount of land tax redeemed is £2 11s. 4d. and the amount of consideration payable is £72 13*s*. 10$\frac{3}{4}$*d*. Your Committee beg to recommend that a cheque for £72 13*s*. 11*d*. be drawn on the Finsbury Park Account, in favour of Mr. John Harrison, the receiving officer for the county of Middlesex.

Your Committee also beg to recommend—

> That a Cheque for £15 15s. be drawn on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account in favour of Messrs. Metcalfe and Mercer, in payment of their account in connection with Mr. Colyer's claim for land required for the Crossness Roadway.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
P. H. LE BRETON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
WM. NEWTON,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, praying the Board to contribute towards the cost of throwing into the public way a part of the ground inclosed within the railings at the western end of St. Paul's Cathedral, be approved, and that the Commissioners of Sewers be informed that the Board are not prepared to contribute towards the proposed improvement, as the same does not provide for the opening up for carriage traffic of the roadway on the north side of the Cathedral.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police be informed, in reply to his letter transmitting a copy of a letter addressed by him to the President of the Poor Law Board, enclosing a Memorial from inhabitants of East Park Estate, Lower Kennington-lane, Lambeth, urging the importance of continuing Renfrew-road into Brook-street, and asking the Board to support the prayer of the Memorialists, that the Board, for the reasons stated in the Report, regret their inability to accede to his request.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Bill for amending the Metropolitan Building Act be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, with authority to take the necessary steps for promoting the same in Parliament, and that Mr. Saunders be added to the Committee for the purposes of this reference.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the report by the Engineer on the subject of the price charged by Messrs. Hill and Keddell for an arris rail fence, be approved, and that the Board concur with the Committee in their opinion that there is no foundation for the charges made by a member of the Board, on the 1st instant, against the conduct of the Engineer in certifying the account of Messrs. Hill and Keddell.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned until the meeting of the Board on Friday next.

After discussion, the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That a cheque for £72 13s. 11d., for the redemption of land tax on Finsbury Park, be drawn in favour of Mr. John Harrison; and a cheque was drawn on the Finsbury Park Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That a cheque for £15 15s. be drawn on the Main Drainage and Main Sewers Account in favour of Messrs. Metcalfe and Mercer, in payment of their account in connection with Mr. Colyer's claim for land required for making the Roadway to Crossness Pumping Station; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

8. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 26th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Second Class Fireman Frederick Brown has tendered his resignation, and to recommend that it be accepted.

Your Committee have also to report that there are now two vacancies in the Brigade, and to recommend that Charles Davies and George Atkins be appointed in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Your Committee have further to report that they have accepted the tender of Mr. J. Hearn, for the erection of the Fire Brigade Station at Wandsworth for the sum of £495.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
E. J. THOMPSON,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That the resignation of Second-Class Fireman Frederick Brown be accepted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Saunders—That Charles Davies and George Atkins be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

9. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
29th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have again had under consideration the Bill of the Gas Light and Coke Company, for the purchase by them of the undertaking of the Victoria Docks Gas Company. It will be remembered that this Bill contained certain provisions which were deemed objectionable by the Board as affecting adversely the legislation of 1868, and the Board, therefore, determined to oppose the Bill before the Committee of the House of Commons. The agents for the Bill have since been in communication with the Board's Solicitor, and have expressed the Company's willingness to modify several of its objectionable provisions. Your Committee are of opinion that if the Bill is modified as pro-

posed, it will be advisable that the Board should not further oppose it. They have, therefore, instructed the Solicitor not to oppose the Bill in Commitee, but to watch its progress, and to see that the modifications agreed to by the Company are retained.

Your Committee have further to report that the Metropolitan District Railway Bill, for the extension of the railway to the Mansion House, was read a third time in the House of Commons last night, notwithstanding the opposition offered to its progress. The Board's opposition will now be continued in the House of Lords, as they have already decided, and your Committee have instructed the Solicitor to retain the services of two Counsel for the purpose, and to obtain such evidence as may be necessary.

Your Committee have also to report that the Board's petition against the Metropolitan Railway Company's Bill for the abandonment of a portion of their Tower-hill Extension, was presented to the House of Lords yesterday. For the purposes of the Board's opposition, your Committee have authorised the Solicitor to obtain the opinion of Mr. Andrew Wilson as to the probable cost of the property that would be required by the Company for that portion of the line between Aldgate and Tower-hill, the abandonment of which has been authorised by the House of Commons.

The Solicitor has reported to your Committee, with regard to the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Bill, that there is considerable opposition to the 111th clause of the Bill, which provides that no timber shall be stacked unless there be a wall to guard against fire. Sir William Tite, who has charge of the Bill, proposes not to have it read a second time next Monday, but to have a meeting of the chief opponents of the clause here next week, which your Committee consider the most desirable course.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
P. H. LE BRETON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the Gas Light and Coke Company's Bill, be approved.

It was **moved** by Mr. Newton, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill, be approved.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Lammin—"That it be an instruction to the Parliamentary Committee to confer with the promoters of the Metropolitan District Railway Bill relative to the manner in which it is proposed to ventilate the Railway."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—5.

Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller.—Mr. Roche.

Against the Amendment—26.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Freeman, R., Esq.	
Harris, C., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.

Teller.—Mr. Newton.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the course taken by the Committee with respect to the Metropolitan Railway Company's Bill be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the course proposed to be taken with regard to the 111th Clause of the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Acts Amendment Bill be approved.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th April, 1870, on the undermentioned work proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
FULHAM.				
Burfield-street, Hetton-street, and Colyin-street, Dartmouth-road, Hammersmith	About 650	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
KENSINGTON.				
Alma-terrace, Stratford-road, Kensington	270	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	Half Brick.	Recommended, subject to the ground being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
NEWINGTON.				
Doddington-grove, Chapter-place, Saint Paul's-road, and Chapter-terrace, South-place	300 1,760	15 inch. 12 ,,	Pipe. ,,	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th April, 1870, on an application from the Vestry of Newington, for permission to stop up the undermentioned thoroughfares for the periods and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Name of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1870. 25 April.	Chapter-place and terrace. Saint Paul's-road and Doddington-grove (part only).	Sewerage works.	3 weeks each. 4 do.	3 weeks each. 4 do.	It is only intended to close one street at a time, so that the traffic may be accommodated through the others.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the Vestry of Newington, for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

12. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
28th April, 1870.

On letter from the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, stating that complaints are made of the noxious effluvia rising from the ventilators and man-holes connected with several of the main sewers in the district; that such escape the Vestry consider to be contrary to the provisions of the law enacting that the works of the Board should be carried out without creating a nuisance, and inquiring whether it is intended, by means of shafts carried above the tops of the houses, or otherwise, to remedy the complaints.

In any well-founded complaint of a particular ventilator the Board have, where practicable, sanctioned its being temporarily closed, or a charcoal box inserted in the shaft; but, having regard to the safety of the men working in the sewers, this could not be done to the whole of the ventilators in a district. As regards an improved method of ventilation, the Board will remember that they

have already referred this matter to the consideration of a Committee: in the meantime, all is being done that can be done to keep the sewers as clean, and thus free from creating a nuisance, as possible.

I recommend that the Vestry be informed to this effect.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the Vestry of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, be informed accordingly.

13. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
28th April, 1870.

FLEET OUTLET DIVERSION.

On the 4th August, 1865, the Board considered a letter from Mr. Fowler respecting alterations to the Fleet Outlet, rendered necessary by the works of the Metropolitan District Railway, and of the new Blackfriars Bridge, stating that the Bridge authorities and the Railway Company had agreed to adopt one of two alternative plans which had been previously prepared; the Bridge authorities to do the portion next the river; the Railway Company the portion under their railway, and thence to a proposed Flap Chamber; and this Board the remainder. The Board approved the plan, and gave permission to the Railway Company and Bridge authorities to execute the work, but entirely at their own cost. The latter have executed that part of the work in the abutment of the bridge, and it now becomes necessary for the Railway Company to execute the remainder; but Mr. Fowler demurs to execute at the cost of the Railway Company the Penstock and Flap Chambers, alleging that similar works must have been constructed by this Board in connection with the Thames Embankment and the Main Drainage Works. After some discussion on this point, I have prepared a plan to show the works which the Board would have to execute, independently of the interference of any other works, and re-arranged the design to keep such works distinct and separate from those entailed by the interference of the Railway Company. Mr. Fowler is willing to undertake that the Railway Company shall pay the cost of the remainder. This would probably be the most equitable and satisfactory arrangement, and I recommend its adoption. I also recommend that previous to settlement with the Railway Company, they obtain an undertaking from the Bridge House Estates Committee to complete that portion of the work next the river, and on the foreshore.

Mr. Fowler is desirous that the works should be executed by the Board's contractor, and some correspondence has taken place on this point, as it appeared to me that if the opening of the railway was dependent upon their completion, it would be preferable, in order to save time and complication, that works in such close proximity to the railway works should be executed by one contractor. As, however, Mr. Fowler states that the opening of the railway is not dependent upon this work, I would recommend that Mr. Fowler's wish be acceded to on condition of the Railway Company paying for the work on the river side of the Flap Chamber, and that the work be put in hand as soon as possible, to be executed by Mr. Webster as an extra upon and under the schedule of prices attached to the Thames Embankment Contract No. 3**.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th April, 1870, on a letter from Mr. T. E. Jones, on behalf of the Treasurers of Wormholt Scrubs, requesting that steps might be taken to reinstate the portion of the roadway of Wood-lane under their control, and which had been disturbed in the execution of the Board's sewerage works; stating that since the receipt of the letter the roadway referred to had been properly made good by the Contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Jones be informed accordingly.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th April, 1870, stating that John Paget, who was employed as Clerk of Works upon the sewerage works at the Hermitage Lock Entrance, had, whilst descending a ladder on Friday last, slipped and sprained his foot; that it was probable that it would be some few days before he could resume his duties; and that, in the meantime, the requisite temporary arrangements had been made for their performance.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

16. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, 28th April, 1870.

On letter from Mr. F. J. Evans, on behalf of the Chartered Gas Company, submitting for approval a section shewing the intended position of their mains in the Embankment and Whitechapel Subways.

The Board have sanctioned, conditionally, the applications of the Chartered Gas Company to lay a 48-inch main in the Whitechapel Subway, and a 36-inch main in the Embankment Subway. The section is now submitted under one of the conditions imposed, and permission is asked to commence the works. I recommend that the Board require the mains to be kept close to the brickwork of the sides of the Subways, instead of with the intervening space shown upon the section, and that they sanction the commencement of the works both in the Whitechapel Subway and in such portions of the Embankment Subway as are ready for the reception of the main; a week's notice being given to the Board of the actual date of commencement.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

17. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting the following documents for sealing—

Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. John Saunders, for a Lease of Plots, Nos. 17, 18, 19, and 20 in Burdett-road.

Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. John Wickham, for a Lease of Plot No. 9, in the line of the Kensington Improvement, and an Agreement, in duplicate, with Mr. James Broadbridge, for a Lease of Plot No. 15, in the line of the same Improvement.

Conveyance by the Board to Mr. R. F. Sandon, of No. 133, Southwark-street,

Lease by the Board to Mr. Edward Morris, of the premises erected on Plot 1, and parts of Plots Nos. 2, 3, and 4, in Burdett-road.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be respectively affixed to the abovementioned documents; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting letters from Messrs. Baker and Co., dated 21st and 23rd April, 1870, on behalf of Mr. Shutt, on the subject of his claim for wages for services alleged to have been rendered to the Board as a Clerk of Works at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and on the Thames Embankment Works, and stating that he (the Solicitor) had sent a reply thereto, referring them to his previous communications.

19. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting a letter from Mr. Oakes, dated 20th April, 1870, on behalf of Mr. Cottrell, intimating his intention of commencing a fresh action against the Board with respect to injuries alleged to have been sustained by the said H. H. Cottrell while asisting to work one of the Board's Fire Engines.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous references on the subject to which it relates.

20. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the consideration of the Report of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until Friday next.

21. The Board considered further the Report of the Special Committee of the Whole Board on the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill, the Corporation of London Bill, and the County of London Bill, stating—

That, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the Districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of Local Government, and recommending that the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon.

And the following motion by Mr. Roche, and amendment thereon by Mr. Silas Taylor—

Motion by Mr. Roche—That, in the opinion of the Board, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of Local Government; and that the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon.

Amendment by Mr. Silas Taylor—"That the words 'with authority to communicate with Her "Majesty's Government thereon' be omitted from the motion, and that the words 'and to report "their recommendations to the Board' be inserted in lieu thereof."

The consideration of which was adjourned on the 22nd instant, (No. 12).

Mr. Roche, after discussion, requested the permission of the Board to divide his motion into two parts as follows—

"That, in the opinion of the Board, it is desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of Local Government."

"That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon."

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That Mr. Roche's request be complied with.

The motion having been put to the vote,

A division was demanded and granted, and the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—18.		Against the Motion—11.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J. E., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Harris, C., Esq.			
Teller—Mr. Roche.		Teller—Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor.	

And it was resolved accordingly.

It was then moved by Mr. Roche, and seconded—"That, in the opinion of the Board, it is "desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over "the whole Metropolis; and that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which "the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of local government."

The motion having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—23.		Against the Motion—6.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.		
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser,		
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Esq.		
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
Harris, C., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.		
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.			
Teller—Mr Roche.		Teller—Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor.	

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—"That the subject be referred "back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communi- "cate with Her Majesty's Government thereon."

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Colonel Hogg—That the words "with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon," be omitted from the **motion**, and that the words "and to report their recommendations to the Board" be inserted in lieu thereof.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—10.	
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Silas Taylor.

Against the Amendment—15.	
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	
Harris, C., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Roche.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded—That the following words be added to the **motion**, "and report the same for the consideration of the Board."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—17.	
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Legg.

Against the Amendment—6.	
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Saunders.

The **motion** as amended was then read as follows—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon, and report the same for the consideration of the Board.

Whereupon an **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Fowler—"That the words 'with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government' "be omitted from the motion, and that no action be taken by the Committee which "would commit the Board to any scheme until the details have been reported to, and "approved by the Board, and that the report be not finally considered until one month from "this date, by which time the inhabitant ratepayers of the Metropolis will have had an "opportunity of considering and expressing their opinion upon the whole question."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—9.	Against the Amendment—14.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
		Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
		Harris, C., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Dresser Rogers.		Teller—Mr. Legg.	

The **motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—18.	Against the Motion—4.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Elt, C. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Newton, W. Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	
Collinson, E., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.		
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.		
Dodd, Henry, Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.		
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
Harris, C., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.		
	White, T. J., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Legg.		Teller—Mr. Saunders.	

And it was **resolved**—"That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further "consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Govern- "ment thereon, and report the same for the consideration of the Board."

22. The Chairman laid before the Board the following letter—

11, Downing Street,
27th April, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—The Chancellor of the Exchequer having given his full consideration to the representations which you have addressed to him respecting the effect of the 2s. 6d. transfer duty upon the value and convertibility of the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, has arrived at the conclusion that, following the analogy of the Act 30 & 31 Vic., c. 131. sec. 33, a compositon of 7s. 6d. per cent. may properly be accepted in lieu of the stamp on each transfer. To give effect to this arrangement legislation will be necessary, and as it cannot be comprised in the Stamps Consolidation Bill, about to be introduced into Parliament, a separate Bill must be prepared for amending your Loan Act of last Session.

It would be advisable that you should instruct the Solicitor to your Board to place himself in communication with the Solicitor to the Board of Inland Revenue, who will advise as to the course of proceeding to be adopted.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer wishes it to be understood that, although the Commissioners of Inland Revenue will render any assistance in their power, the Bill, which should be introduced by the same parties as your Bill of last Session, must not be regarded as a Revenue Bill.

I am, &c.,
C. RIVERS WILSON.

Sir John Thwaites.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous references.

23. The Chairman having vacated the Chair, it was

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That

EDWARD COLLINSON, Esquire,

be requested to take the Chair; and he took the Chair accordingly.

24. Read a Report by the Solicitor stating that the Board's Petition against the Metropolitan Railway Bill in the House of Lords had been duly sealed and deposited.

25. Read a Report by the Solicitor, with a printed copy of the Gas and Water Facilities Bill, and stating that the Bill contained a clause declaring that it was not to apply to the Metropolis.

26. Read a Report by the Solicitor with respect to the provisions of the Railways (powers and construction) Bill.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

27. Read a Report by the Solicitor, with a note of the Judgment of the Master of the Rolls, on the case of Warrick *v.* Queen's College, Oxford, with respect to Plumstead Common and Bostal Heath.

28. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill had been read a third time, and passed in the House of Commons, and that the Thames Embankment, North, Bill would come before the Committee this day as an unopposed Bill, and that he would attend and give the necessary evidence.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Committee on the Tramways (Government) Bill sat yesterday with closed doors, and would, he believed, sit again this afternoon, but that they had not yet disclosed any of their decisions; and that the Metropolitan Street Tramways, the North London Tramways, the North Metropolitan Tramways, and the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Tramways Bills all stood for second reading this day.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor stating that the House of Commons had on the motion of Mr. W. H. Smith ordered copies of certain Plans relative to the reclaimed land, &c., on the Thames Embankment, North, and certain particulars, &c., as to cost, &c., of the same.

31. Read a Report by the Solicitor stating that the Metropolitan Building Act Amendment Bill stood for second reading on Monday next, and that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill had been read a second time and stood for Committee this day.

32. Read a Report by the Solicitor stating that the Thames Navigation Bill had been before Committee daily, but that the portion relating to the Board had not yet been reached and that it was not likely to come on now for some days, but that he was closely watching it.

33. Read a Report by the Solicitor stating that it might become necessary before the next meeting of the Board to affix the Seal to petitions on behalf of the Board against Bills.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting of the Board.

34. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That in all cases where the Seal of the Board is at their request affixed by the Chairman to Parliamentary Petitions or other documents, the sealing of the same be reported to the following meeting of the Board.

35. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 22nd instant, (No. 16), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Bow-lane, &c.	Poplar,
Warwick-place, &c.	St. George, Hanover-square,
Park-road	Hampstead,
James-street West	Paddington,
Red Cross-square	City,
Hyde Park-street, &c.	Paddington,
South-street, &c.	Greenwich,
Church-street, &c., Kentish Town	St. Pancras.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

36. **Resolved**—That the further consideration of the Report of the Building Act Committee, recommending—

> "That an additional fee of 5s. be allowed to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous "structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done, inserted "in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until Friday next."

37. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the consideration of the amended Return as to District Surveyors' fees, ages, &c., and the letters from the District Surveyors, Mr. Knightley, Mr. Joseph Jennings, and Mr. George Legg, (St. George, Hanover-square) inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until Friday next.

38. Read a letter as follows—

Treasury Chambers, 22nd April, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your letter of the 31st ultimo, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to state that, as the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District are only at present empowered by the Poor Law Board to borrow the sum of £468,000, and are therefore unable to borrow the additional £32,000 of the £500,000, raised by you in respect of advances to them, their Lordships are pleased to approve of that sum, viz., £32,000, being taken as raised for the works of your Board.

Any amount which the Poor Law Board may hereafter empower the managers to borrow can be raised in the next loan of your Board.

I am further to authorise you to pay out of this sum of £32,000 a sum of £6,000 to the Bank of England, which, with the estimated sum of £142,000, will complete the repayment of the loan of £300,000 due by you to the Bank on the 1st of December, 1869.

The balance of the said sum of £32,000, after the above payment to the Bank, and after deduction of payments to be made within the year on some of the improvements of your Board may may be carried to works of another year, a statement of the application of the amount being furnished hereafter to this Board.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) R. R. W. LINGEN.

The Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration.

39. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. M. Crookenden, Secretary to the Phœnix Gas Light and Coke Company, dated 21st April, 1870, calling attention to the condition of the Effra Creek which runs through the Company's premises at Vauxhall, and stating that they are willing to erect, at their own expense, a pair of gates at the mouth of the Creek to form a basin, and by the application of sluices free it from the mud, and asking the Board's sanction to the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

40. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. S. B. Bevington, dated 22nd April, 1870, thanking the Board for their courtesy in receiving the Deputation of Ratepayers of Bermondsey, and for the consideration they have given the subject of the building land in Southwark Park, and stating that he will communicate the decision of the Board to the Memorialists.

41. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. Coxworthy, dated 20th April, 1870, urging that the Board have no power to grant to others a concession of the Sewage of the Metropolis, and explaining his views upon the Sewage question.

42. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. T. Fagan, submitting suggestions for the improvement of the traffic in the Metropolis.

43. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. W. Lovely, Clerk to the Fulham District Board of Works, dated 25th April, 1870, calling attention to the necessity for numbering the houses in Brook Green, Hammersmith, and requesting this Board to pass the necessary Order.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

44. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. Dethridge, Clerk to the Vestry of Paddington, dated 26th April, 1870, stating that the resolution of the Board directing that no alteration be

made in the names of Upper Berkeley-street, Upper Berkeley-street West, and Berkeley-place, is unsatisfactory to the Vestry, and that they are of opinion that the whole line of thoroughfare, from Portman-square to Hyde Park-square, should be re-named "Berkeley-street."

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

45. The Clerk presented a letter from the Rev. J. W. Carter, Vicar of Christ Church, Stratford, dated 28th April, 1870, asking the Board to grant a site for a parsonage house adjoining their Main Sewer at Stratford.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

46. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea.
Vestry Hall, King's Road, S.W.
29th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—As I have received no reply to the annexed letter, and the subject is urgent, I am directed by the Vestry to beg that you will obtain the instructions of your Board that a reply may be sent.

I am, &c.,
CHAS. LAHEE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

(Copy.)

Vestry Hall, 14th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I am directed by the Vestry to inquire of you whether application has been made for the consent of the Metropolitan Board of Works to the erection of a wooden projection in front of the house, No. 77, King's Road, and whether the projection referred to is a building, structure, or erection, within the meaning of the 75th section of the Act of 1862.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE, Vestry Clerk.

George Vulliamy, Esq.,
&c., &c.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Superintending Architect, for report.

47. The Clerk presented the following letter—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea.
Vestry Hall, King's Road, S.W.
29th April, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I am directed by the Vestry to beg that you will express their thanks to the Board for the contribution of £533 6s. 8d. towards the Milman's Row Improvement, promised by your letter of the 13th instant. It is now quite completed, and only awaits Mr. Vulliamy's Certificate.

The improvements in the King's Road, by Stanley Bridge, and in the Fulham Road, from Stamford Bridge to Mr. Veitch's entrance gates, alluded to in the same letter, are now also completed, and have cost, for purchase of land and works only, without any item for legal or surveyor's charges, £2,428 16s. 11d. These improvements were referred to in my letters to you of the 12th December, 1868, the 21st January, 1869, and the 6th February, 1869; plans to a large scale have been supplied to Mr. Vulliamy, and the localities have been visited by a Committee of your Board. The original intention was to widen Stanley Bridge in the King's Road only, at an estimated cost of £800, but the hearty co-operation of the authorities of St. Mark's College, together with that of the late Mr. Veitch and his landlord, Mr. Perry, have enabled the Vestry to widen the Fulham Road for a long distance where it was much needed, for the small additional amount.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Puposes Committee, for consideration and report.

48. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. T. W. Keates, the Board's Gas Examiner, dated 27th April, 1870, requesting the Board to grant him leave of absence from his duties for three weeks, from and including Monday the 16th of May, and that the Board would permit his son, Mr. William Cooper Keates to act as his deputy in his absence.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the request of Mr. Keates be acceded to.

Resolved and **Ordered**—That Mr. William Cooper Keates be authorised to act as the Deputy of Mr. Thomas William Keates, in his capacity of Gas Examiner, on behalf of the Board, for a period of three weeks from and including the 16th of May next.

49. The Clerk presented a Memorial from Mr. William Clarke and other residents in Stanley-hill, Notting Hill, dated 28th April, 1870, complaining of inconvenience arising from the delay of the Kensington Vestry in carrying out the Order of the Board for the re-numbering &c., of that place.

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

50. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. T. E. Gibb, Clerk to the United Metropolitan Vestry Committee, dated 28th April, 1870, asking the Board to grant them the use of a room at their offices in Spring Gardens for holding the meetings of the Committee.

Resolved—That Mr. Gibb be informed that the Board have no accommodation of the nature referred to which they could offer the Committee.

51. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

United Metropolitan Vestry Committee.
Saint Pancras Vestry Hall, King's Road, Pancras Road, April 28th, 1870.

J. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

DEAR SIR—

At a Meeting of the United Metropolitan Vestry Committee, held this day, to consider the Bills now before Parliament relating to the Municipal Government of the Metropolis, I was instructed to forward the accompanying Resolution, for the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB, Clerk.

At a Meeting of the United Metropolitan Vestry Committee, held at the Saint Pancras Vestry Hall, on Thursday, the 28th day of April, 1870.

Mr. ARMSTRONG (of Chelsea) in the Chair.

It was RESOLVED—

That, in the opinion of this Committee, it would be most undesirable for the Metropolitan Board of Works to lay any Plan before the Government or Parliament affecting the present constitution of the different Vestries and District Boards, and the Municipal Government of the Metropolis, without such Plan having been previously submitted to the said Vestries and District Boards, for their consideration and approval.

Extracted from the Minutes.

52. The Clerk presented the following Order of the House of Commons—

House of Commons, Thursday, 28th April, 1870.

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Plan of the Thames Embankment from Westminster Bridge to Blackfriars Bridge, showing the line of the ancient shore and buildings, and the present embankment and roadway, and

1. Coloured blue. That part of the foreshore reclaimed from the river belonging to the Crown, but reserved to the Crown lessees during the currency of their leases;

2. Coloured green. That part of the foreshore belonging to the Crown, and as to which the Crown is under no engagement to devote it to the use of the public as places of recreation or ornamental ground;

3. Coloured purple. That part of the foreshore belonging to the Crown which was surrendered for the Embankment roadway without any compensation other than the reclamation of the land coloured blue and green;

4. Edged brown. That part of the foreshore reclaimed from the river or taken for the Embankment roadway in respect of which compensation was made to the Conservators of the River Thames, pursuant to the 75th section of "The Thames Embankment Act, 1862;"

5. Coloured yellow. That part of the foreshore vested in the Metropolitan Board of Works, and which, under section 26 of the Act 25 and 26 Vic. c. 93, they are under obligation to devote to the use of the public as places of recreation or ornamental ground;

6. Coloured red. That part of the foreshore lying in front of the present southern boundary of the Inner and Middle Temple Garden, and which is to be devoted to the like trusts as the present land;

7. Coloured orange. That part of the foreshore that belonged to the Duchy of Lancaster in front of the Duchy property:

And, return of the areas of the respective colours, &c., mentioned above; and of

A. The total cost to the ratepayers of the Metropolis of the whole Embankment;

B. The amount paid to the Conservators of the Thames for their rights in the foreshore edged brown;

C. The amount paid to the Duchy of Lancaster for their rights in the foreshore coloured orange.

(Signed) D. Le MARCHANT,
Clerk, House of Commons.

Resolved—That the Plan and Return in question be prepared.

53. The Accountant presented a Return to an Order of the Board of the 4th February last, (No. 17) prepared on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers, showing the total amount of all sums paid, or, in unsettled bills, of all charges made for the repair of the several Fire Engine Stations during each quarter from the time of the transfer of the Fire Brigade to the Board up to Christmas, 1869, stating the name of the Contractor for each work, and the total cost of the adaptation of any premises to the purpose of a Fire Engine Station, as follows—

Name of Station.	Contractor.	Quarter ending	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Baker-street	Thirst, E.	1866, Christmas ..	8 19 4	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day	61 8 4	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	112 16 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	8 18 8	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	15 1 11	
	Cowan and others ..	Sundry, Gas and Bells ..	20 2 8	
				227 7 9
Bayswater	Thirst, E.	1867, Christmas ..	0 18 7	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day	4 19 1	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	6 14 6	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	16 14 0	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	8 5 6	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	7 8 11	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	3 6 2	
	Sundry	Drain, &c. ..	1 6 0	
				49 12 2
Bethnal-green	Dethick, Wm. ..	1866, Midsummer ..	70 9 10	
	,, ...	1867, Michaelmas ..	12 1 0	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	37 8 2	
	Cowan	,, Gas-fittings ..	27 10 3	
	Sundry	Small repairs ..	1 17 6	
				149 6 9
Bishopsgate	Dethick, Wm. ..	1866, Midsummer ..	20 17 5	
	,, ...	1867, Michaelmas ..	69 14 3	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	105 4 3	
	Cowan and others ..	Gas and Bells ..	13 3 9	
	Horwood	Sundry	1 1 4	
				210 1 0
Bow (Old Station)	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	4 10 11	
	Brevetor	Alterations ..	12 0 0	16 10 11
Bow (New Station) ..	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	21 13 8	
	Sundry	Cowl, &c. ..	1 2 0	
				22 15 8
Brixton	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Christmas ..	7 15 8	
	Nicholson, J.	1868, ,, ...	4 16 0	
	Blackmore	,, ,, ...	6 2 11	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, ,, ...	12 6 11	
	Sundry	Bells, scrapers ..	3 9 9	
				34 11 3
Brompton (Old Station) ..	Thirst, E.	1866, Christmas ..	9 16 5	
	,, ...	1867, Lady-day ..	4 12 3	
				14 8 8

Name of Station.	Contractor.	Quarter ending.	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brompton, (New Station) ..	Thirst, E.	1868, Michaelmas ..	1 17 1	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	34 5 4	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	18 1 9	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	23 11 1	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	9 19 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	1 5 7	
	Delf	Bells, &c. ..	2 4 6	
				91 5 1
Camberwell	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Christmas ..	29 9 1	
	Nicholson, J... ..	1868, Midsummer ..	32 19 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	2 2 5	
	,, ...	1869, ,, ...	1 3 6	
	Hill and Keddell ..	,, ,, ...	36 3 11	
				101 18 8
Clapham	Nicholson, J... ..	1868, Christmas ..	5 11 9	
	Sole	Sundry	0 7 6	
				5 19 3
Chandos Street	Thirst, E.	1866, Michaelmas ..	5 7 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	103 9 4	
	,, ...	1867, Midsummer ..	1 3 3	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	24 10 2	
	,, ...	1867, Christmas ..	81 15 10	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day.. ..	62 8 3	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	5 6 10	
	,, ...	1869, Michaelmas ..	5 1 0	
	Cowan..	,, Gas	22 4 6	
				311 6 11
De Beauvoir Town	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	29 1 0	
	Cowan..	,, Gas fittings ..	17 0 7	
		,, Gate Lamp ..	15 0 0	
		,, Sundry	1 0 9	
				62 2 4
Farringdon Street	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	7 3 7	
	Cowan..	,, Michaelmas ..	8 14 1	
	Dethick	1867, ,, ..	68 4 0	
	Thirst	,, ,, ..	3 18 3	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day.. ..	20 17 11	
	Cowan..	,, Michaelmas ..	20 12 9	
				129 10 7
Fulham	Thirst	1868, Christmas ..	5 5 7	
	Whittick	1869, ,, ..	4 8 10	
	Sundry		0 19 0	
				10 13 5
Fulham (Old Station) ..	Thirst	1868, Lady-day.. ..	57 1 10	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	15 17 10	
				72 19 8
Greenwich	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Midsummer ..	13 6 8	
	,, ..	,, Christmas ..	40 15 7	
	,, ..	,, Michaelmas ..	6 12 8	
	,, ..	1869, Christmas ..	9 9 6	
	Cowan..	,, Gas fittings ..	7 13 10	
	Sundry	.. .. ..	2 13 9	
				80 12 0
Hackney	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	..	13 1 7
Hackney South (See South Hackney)				
Hammersmith	Thirst, E.	1866, Michaelmas ..	69 4 1	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	113 15 1	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day ..	55 3 3	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	26 8 3	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	7 18 11	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	0 17 10	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	118 12 9	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	2 11 7	
	Wescombe and others	,, Sundry ..	11 1 1	
	Cowan..	,, Gas fittings ..	21 2 4	
				426 15 2
Hampstead	Thirst, E.	1868, Michaelmas ..	73 0 0	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	17 16 1	
				90 16 1
Holborn	Thirst, E.	1867, Midsummer ..	191 19 3	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	44 7 1	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day ..	6 19 7	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	4 13 9	
	,, ...	1869, Midsummer ..	37 19 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	6 2 8	
	Cowan	1866, Gas fittings ..	6 10 10	
				298 13 0

Name of Station.	Contractor.	Quarter ending.	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Highgate	Thirst, E.	1868, Lady-day ..	85 15 4	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	7 3 3	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	20 19 10	
	Sundry	,, Gas fittings, &c.	3 5 6	
				117 3 11
Kennington (Old Station)..	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Christmas ..	5 14 5	
	Nicholson, J... ..	1868, Midsummer ..	1 0 8	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	4 9 11	
	,, ...	1869, ,, ..	20 9 9	
				31 14 9
Kensington	Thirst, E.	1867, Michaelmas ..	8 15 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	3 11 5	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day ..	2 19 10	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	6 10 3	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	4 8 9	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	2 1 1	
				28 7 2
Lewisham	Nicholson, J... ..	1868, Midsummer ..	2 11 3	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	3 11 5	
	Marshall	1869, ,, ..	0 16 5	
				6 19 1
Mile End	Dethick	1867, Michaelmas ..	8 12 2	
	Cowan	1868, Midsummer ..	17 8 0	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	17 7 0	
	,, ...	1869, Midsummer ..	0 11 6	
	Sundry	,, Plumber, &c. ..	0 16 6	
				44 15 2
Notting Hill	Thirst	1869, Lady-day ..	26 6 11	
	Cowan	Gas fittings ..	0 7 6	
				26 14 5
Old Kent Road	Nicholson, J... ..	1869, Lady-day ..	61 1 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	5 9 11	
	Sundry	,, Gas pipe, &c. ..	1 4 6	
				67 16 3
Poplar (Old Station) ..	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	64 15 2	
	Cowan and others ..	1867, Gas fittings, &c...	13 0 0	
				77 15 2
Poplar (New Station) ..	Nowlan	1869, Sundry	2 1 10	
	Hill and Keddell ..	,, Christmas ..	3 10 3	
	Horwood	,, Sundry	1 13 0	
				7 5 1
Paddington	Thirst, E.	1866, Michaelmas ..	3 4 11	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	62 11 11	
	,, ...	1867, ,, ...	0 16 2	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day ..	75 0 0	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	35 12 0	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	1 11 10	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	13 19 8	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	24 2 8	
	Cowan and others ..	Gas fittings ..	8 19 2	
				225 18 4
Portland Road	Thirst, E.	1868, Michaelmas ..	53 1 2	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	14 5 8	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	11 7 1	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	5 19 1	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	0 5 5	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	1 7 11	
				86 6 4
Rotherhithe	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Midsummer ..	26 13 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	23 2 7	
	Nicholson	1868, Midsummer ..	13 8 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	22 7 2	
	,, ...	1869, ,, ..	4 10 6	
	Cowan and others ..	Gas and Bells ..	16 11 1	
				106 13 11
Ratcliff	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	1 15 3	
	,, ...	1867, Michaelmas ..	57 11 2	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	35 10 0	
	Horwood	Sundry ..	1 18 4	
	Cowan	Gas	8 14 0	
				105 8 9

Name of Station.	Contractor.	Quarter ending.	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Regent Street	Thirst, E.	1867, Midsummer ..	1 2 9	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	220 19 4	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day ..	14 7 4	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	18 11 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	9 0 1	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	7 9 6	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	4 13 6	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	1 4 5	
	Hatfield	,, ,, ..	8 5 0	
	Horwood and others..	,, Sundry ..	2 12 0	
	Cowan	Gas fitter ..	4 7 9	
				292 13 6
South Hackney	Dethick	1867, Midsummer ..	10 9 8	
	Horwood	1869, Lady-day ..	0 4 6	
	Cowan	,, Midsummer ..	4 0 0	
	Sundry	,, Christmas ..	1 19 6	
				16 13 8
Stoke Newington	Dethick	1867, Michaelmas ..	127 14 10	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	38 9 11	
	Cowan	,, Gas fittings ..	35 8 5	
	Cottrell, J.	,, Sundry ..	1 1 9	
				202 14 11
Shoreditch (Old Station) ..	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	71 19 10	
	,,	,, Michaelmas ..	16 17 0	
				88 16 10
Shoreditch (New Station) ..	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	23 17 4	
	Riley	,, Sundry	4 17 0	
	Stevens	,, ,, ...	0 9 0	
				29 3 4
Southwark (New Station)..	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	3 16 8	
	Nicholson	,, ,, ...	5 7 8	
	Sundry	.. .. ..	0 7 6	
				9 11 10
Southwark (Old Station) ..	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Christmas ..	35 11 1	
	Cowan..	Gas-fitting ..	2 17 3	
				38 8 4
St. John's-wood	Thirst, E.	1867, Christmas ..	3 3 9	
	,, ...	1868, Midsummer ..	0 19 7	
	,, ...	,, ,, ...	1 3 5	
	Sundry	,, ...	4 11 7	
				9 18 4
St. Pancras	Crockett	1868, Michaelmas ..	19 12 0	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	11 16 2	
	Thirst	1869, Midsummer ..	31 11 6	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	0 10 4	
	Cowan	Gas-fittings ..	12 6 0	
				75 16 0
Sydenham	Nicholson	1869, Christmas ..	.. ..	6 9 1
St. Luke's	Cowan and Co. ..	1866, Michaelmas ..	6 12 9	
	Dethick	1867, ,, ..	3 14 0	
	Hill and Keddell ..	,, Christmas ..	10 0 7	
	Thirst, E.	1868, Lady-day ..	8 6 6	
	Cowan..	,, Michaelmas ..	4 4 10	
				32 18 8
St. Giles	Thirst, E.	1866, Christmas ..	12 11 8	
	,, ...	1867, Midsummer ..	4 14 5	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	46 4 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	61 16 1	
	,, ...	1868, ,, ..	44 16 5	
	,, ...	,, Lady-day ..	35 12 9	
	Cowan and others ..	Gas Fittings, &c.	14 11 7	
				220 7 8
Tooting	Nicholson	1868, Midsummer ..	.. ..	0 3 2
Tooley Street	Greenwood	,, Lady-day ..	210 15 1	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	28 16 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	0 6 6	
	Nicholson	1869, ,, ..	42 15 6	
	Cowan and others ..	Gas Fittings, &c.	32 11 7	
				315 5 6

Name of Station.	Contractors.	Quarter ending.	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wandsworth	Nicholson	1868, Midsummer ..	29 0 9	
	Sundry	Paving	0 11 9	
				29 12 6
Waterloo	Hill and Keddell ..	1867, Christmas ..	102 15 11	
	Nicholson	1868, Midsummer ..	4 6 3	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	19 2 7	
	,, ...	1869, ,, ..	2 13 0	
	Hill and Keddell ..	,, ,, ..	4 2 0	
	Cowan and others ..	,, Gas Fittings, &c.	31 5 6	
				164 5 3
Woolwich	Nicholson	1869, Christmas ..	6 11 10	
	Sundry	,, Lamp, &c. ..	0 19 0	
				7 10 10
Whitechapel	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	58 8 1	
	Read and Son ..	Sundry	1 16 0	
	Cowan	Gas-fittings, &c. ..	12 19 11	
				73 4 0
Wellclose-square	Dethick	1866, Midsummer ..	36 7 0	
	,, ...	1867, Michaelmas ..	69 17 0	
	Hill and Keddell ..	1869, Christmas ..	27 10 3	
	Cowan and Co. ..	Gas-fittings ..	42 15 3	
	Horwood	Glazing, &c. ..	4 14 0	
				181 3 6
Westminster (Old Station)	Cowan	1866, Michaelmas ..	6 3 0	
	Thirst	1867, Midsummer ..	5 7 1	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day	50 7 11	
	,, ...	1869, Michaelmas ..	2 2 2	
				64 0 2
Westminster (New Station)	Thirst	1868, Michaelmas ..	20 9 10	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	156 7 2	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	30 6 9	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	7 9 1	
	Sundry	Lamps	1 2 8	
				215 15 6
Watling-street	Thirst	1866, Lady-day	0 5 9	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	1 18 7	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	9 16 3	
	Sundry	,, ,, ..	6 0 3	
	.. ..	,, Christmas	27 18 10	
	Brown and Robinson	,, ,, ...	4 10 0	
	Thirst	,, ,, ...	21 0 11	
	,, ...	1867, Lady-day	44 8 8	
	Sundry	,, ,, ...	3 9 2	
	.. ..	,, Midsummer ..	22 19 5	
	Thirst	,, ,, ...	36 10 0	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	270 18 7	
	Sundry	,, ,, ..	25 10 8	
	.. ..	,, Christmas	49 6 3	
	Thirst	,, ,, ...	24 4 11	
	,, ...	1868, Lady-day	37 9 10	
	Sundry	,, ,, .. .	3 3 5	
	.. ..	,, Midsummer ..	11 17 1	
	Thirst	,, ,, ...	5 15 2	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	849 3 0	
	Sundry	,, ,, ...	12 5 10	
	.. ..	,, Christmas	5 0 3	
	Thirst	,, ,, ...	271 16 11	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day	0 15 8	
	Sundry	,, ,, ...	3 0 4	
	.. ..	,, Midsummer ..	6 8 1	
	.. ..	,, Michaelmas ..	48 12 0	
	.. ..	,, Christmas	20 15 7	
	Hill and Keddell ..	,, ,, ...	2 8 2	
				1,827 9 10

Name of Station.	Contractor.	Quarter ending	Amount.	Total.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Sundries (Generally) ..	Thirst	1868, Christmas ..	23 0 1	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	10 6 7	
	,, ...	Midsummer ..	4 15 5	
				38 2 1
Timber (Generally)	Hayne	1866, Michaelmas ..	4 11 0	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	2 6 4	
	,, ...	1867, Lady-day ..	20 2 9	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	6 4 4	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	22 11 4	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	45 6 6	
	,, ...	1868, Midsummer ..	24 0 6	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	12 9 11	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	7 1 4	
	,, ...	1869, Lady-day ..	19 13 11	
	,, ...	,, Midsummer ..	13 1 4	
	,, ...	,, Michaelmas ..	15 19 1	
	,, ...	,, Christmas ..	33 5 8	
				226 14 0
				£7,520 5 4

NOTE.—The total cost of the adaptation of any premises to the purpose of a Fire Engine Station cannot be distinguished from other expenditure incurred for the repair of such station.

54. The Clerk presented the following Return—

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters received by each Inspector with the amount of Fees received for the same, for the Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870.

Weeks ending	Number of Meters.				Fees Received.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Deth-ridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion Street, Spitalfields.	Castle Street, Southwark.	St. Ann Street, Westminster.	Total.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Jan. 1.	68	149	346	563	2 10 0	5 10 6	10 18 6	18 19 0
,, 8.	145	407	541	1,093	5 5 0	14 15 6	15 9 6	35 10 0
,, 15.	166	406	547	1,119	5 4 6	14 14 0	16 9 0	36 7 6
,, 22.	196	391	804	1,391	7 3 0	13 3 0	23 8 6	43 14 6
,, 29.	173	367	621	1,161	5 8 6	12 9 0	20 8 6	38 6 0
Feb. 5.	316	526	520	1,362	10 16 0	17 5 0	16 2 0	44 3 0
,, 12.	283	445	478	1,206	8 14 0	16 1 0	16 15 6	41 10 6
,, 19.	253	580	541	1,374	8 13 6	20 19 6	17 13 0	47 6 0
,, 26.	136	460	570	1,166	4 14 0	14 19 0	16 16 6	36 9 6
Mar. 5.	221	395	507	1,123	7 11 0	19 0 0	17 15 0	44 6 0
,, 12.	213	398	644	1,255	6 13 0	15 9 6	20 15 0	42 17 6
,, 19.	377	446	712	1,535	11 13 6	17 9 0	21 16 0	50 18 6
,, 26.	314	402	647	1,363	9 19 0	15 11 0	21 9 6	46 19 6
TOTALS	2,861	5,372	7,478	15,711	94 5 0	197 6 0	235 16 6	527 7 6

Spring Gardens, 28th April, 1870. (Signed) E. CRESY.

55. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
29th April, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are five applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of June.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of two calendar months and

one day from the 29th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage
Camberwell	Wayte, Chas.	15,056	571, Old Kent Road	10	Yard P. d.
Fulham	Newby and Dunsford	15,057	27, Broadway, Hammersmith	1	Shop btls.
Greenwich	Edwards, Owen	15,049	168, Queen's Road, Peckham	10	Yard P. d.
St. James, Westminster	Holroyd, Wm. Hy.	15,050	31, Duke Street	2 qts.	Shop btls.
St. Pancras	Pennell, T.	15,051	168, Weedington Road, Kentish Town	10	Whse P.d.

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

56. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Mihill, for the consent of the Board to the erection of cart sheds and workshops on vacant ground adjoining the premises, No. 147, Stepney-green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

57. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Sherman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a tiled lean-to, to form a shop on the forecourt of the house No. 15, Leopold-place, Devonshire-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

58. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Fox and Robinson, on behalf of Messrs. Wilson and Meek, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 52, Cambridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Phillips, on behalf of Mr. M. T. Minard, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of four houses, in course of erection, in Victoria-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

60. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alfred Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the lines of frontage proposed for a house or shop at the corner of Gordon-road and Brayard-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

61. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. T. Morgan, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window to the house, No. 4, Denmark Cottages, Leipsic-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Lindsey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window to each of the houses Nos. 36A and 36B Albany-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

63. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Taylor and Pitts, for the consent of the Board to retain a building recently erected next the "King's Head" public-house, in Fulham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

64. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles R. Wood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five shops on the forecourts of the houses, Nos. 1 to 5, Brimsey-place, Woodbine-grove, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the applicant be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

65. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Morgan, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 6, Bull-lane, Stepney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

66. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. J. Alvey, for a re-consideration by the Board of their Order of the 8th April last (No. 47), directing, with respect to the erection of a house and shop at the corner of Rockingham-street and Tiverton-street, that the frontage of the proposed building in Rockingham-street be kept back in a line with the forecourts on the east side of Tiverton-street, to a line parallel with the pavement, and five feet back from the present line of frontage, and requesting to be allowed to build the house as proposed in his former application.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the application be granted, on condition that the angle of the building be taken off, as shown by a blue line on the Plan, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

67. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. Dickins, on behalf of Mr. J. E. W. Rolls, requesting the Board to modify the conditions imposed by their Order of the 25th March last, (No. 52), determining the line of frontage of shops to be erected on the forecourts of the houses, Nos. 46 to 60, Old Kent-road; and stating that he is willing to bring out the six shops, now in the owner's possession, and to complete the works, and give up the vacant ground to the public within twelve months from obtaining the Board's consent to the said works, and requesting further that the approval by the Superintending Architect of the elevation of the shop fronts might be dispensed with.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the houses, Nos. 48, 50, 54, 58, and 60, be completed within twelve months from the commencement of the works; and that the vacant land be given up to the public immediately after such completion; that the houses, Nos. 44, 46, and 50, be brought out within twelve months from the expiration of the existing Leases, or sooner if practicable, and that the vacant ground in front be given up immediately upon the completion of the works; that the approval of the Plans by the Superintending Architect of the Board be dispensed with, but that the elevations of the shops do not exceed 14 feet in height.

68. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. M. A. Ridge, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops at Nos. 22 and 23, London-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

69. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Campbell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 99, London-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop be kept back thirteen feet from the present line of kerb; that it be erected in strict conformity with the requirements of the Building Act; that the vacant ground in front of the shop be added to the public footway previously to the commencement of building operations, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

70. St. Martin-in-the-Fields.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. W. Porter, for the consent of the Board to the lines of frontage proposed for the Union Bank of London about to be erected at the corner of Charing-cross and Spring-gardens, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

71. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. T. and W. Banting, on behalf of Mr. W. B. Simonds, M.P., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch, &c., in front of the house, No. 18, Sussex-place, Regent's-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

72. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Conisbee, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at Messrs. Pound and Co's. premises, Smith's-buildings, Leadenhall-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the provisions of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

73. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Willson, on behalf of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Kensal-green, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an additional

watercloset to adjoin the sexton's office, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

74. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Clutton, for a re-consideration by the Board of the conditions imposed by their Order of the 8th April last (No. 71), refusing to sanction the formation of two streets and a mews, to lead from Newington Butts to Pleasant-place, Newington, and of names for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

75. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Tasker, for the consent of the Board to the lines of frontage of proposed buildings in Pound-place, Eltham, and to the footway leading thence into Victoria-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the piece of land coloured blue upon the Plan, be added to the public footpath, and be dedicated to the public for ever.

76. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Church and Rickwood, on behalf of Mr. Jones, for the consent of the Board to inclose a forecourt to the house recently erected in Prince's-road, Plumstead Common-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the owner do undertake that the palisading shall be removed, and the strip of ground, proposed to be inclosed, given up to the public use, whenever required by the Board.

77. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Mitchell, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a studio in the rear of his house, No. 60, Crowndale-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted.

78. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Evan Hare, for a re-consideration by the Board of their Order of the 1st April last, (No. 66), refusing to sanction the formation of three new roads on the Harefield Estate, Battersea.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Solicitor, for report.

79. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Chick, for the re-numbering of the houses in Well-street.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

80. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Luck, for the re-numbering of the houses in Circus-road, St. John's-wood.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

81. Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Mitchelmore and others, for the incorporation of Charlotte-street with Palace-street, Pimlico.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

82. Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Marryat, requesting the Board to apply a name to a short street, leading from Victoria-street, Westminster, to the Fire Brigade Station.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

83. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles H. Cooke for the consent of the Board to the construction of a doorway in the party-wall on the ground floor, and iron doors on each side at the premises, Nos. 8 and 9, Cheapside, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

84. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Harper, for the consent of the Board to retain a temporary carpenter's shop, constructed in an archway of a portion of the Great Eastern Railway, near the Crescent, Downs Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the inclosures to the archway be removed at the expiration of six months from the present time.

85. Kensington.—Read a communication from Mr. Alfred Williams, Assistant Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the district of South Kensington, dated 25th April, 1870, notifying that certain alterations were about to be made to the house, No. 45, Brompton-road, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Alfred Williams, Assistant Surveyor of the District of South Kensington, did, on the 25th day of April, 1870, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations to the house, No. 45, Brompton-road, within the District aforesaid; and the said Alfred Williams has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Sancton Wood, Surveyor of the District of Chelsea, be appointed by this Board, and the said Sancton Wood is hereby appointed to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

86. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Parsons, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a conservatory in the rear of the house, No. 10, Wimbledon Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be not granted.

87. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th April, 1870, on a letter from the Wandsworth District Board, stating that the United Land Company (Limited), have not complied with the Board's Order of the 24th September last, (No. 101), relative to the widening of an original footpath leading from Merton-road to Southfields; stating that he had ascertained that the Company had now obtained possession of the land required to make the road of the requisite width, and had given instructions to their Contractor to complete the road forthwith.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That a communication founded on the Report be sent to the Wandsworth District Board.

88. Holborn.—Read a communication from Mr. Frederick William Porter, District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Holborn and East Strand, dated 25th April, 1870, notifying that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of a building to be erected at the corner of Hatton Garden, Holborn Circus, Charterhouse-street, and Ely-place, within his district, and requesting the Board to appoint some other District Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Frederick William Porter, Surveyor of the District of Holborn and East Strand, did, on the 25th day of April, 1870, give notice to this Board that he, the said Frederick William Porter, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a building at the corner of Hatton Garden, Holborn Circus, Charterhouse-street, and Ely-place, within the District aforesaid; and the said Frederick William Porter has been,

since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid; Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the Western Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Rawlinson Parkinson is hereby appointed to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

89. City of London.—Read a communication from Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, dated 28th April, 1870, notifying that certain alterations and additions were about to be made to the building and premises at No. 43, London Wall, City, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, as follows—Whereas Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, did, on the 28th day of April, 1870, give notice to this Board, that he, the said Edmund Woodthorpe, was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain alterations and additions to the building and premises, No. 43, London Wall, City, within the District aforesaid; and the said Edmund Woodthorpe has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, be appointed by this Board, and the said Henry John Hammon is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

90. The attention of the Board having been called to the subject of the accident which had occurred on the works of the Metropolitan District Railway Company at the Blackfriars Station, this morning, Mr. Lovick, Assistant Engineer, entered into explanations on the subject.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Engineer do report in writing on the subject, and as to whether the accident will delay the opening of the Railway, and, if so, how long.

91. The following notice, as an amendment on the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee's Report was given by Mr. Elt for the next meeting of the Board, viz.—(No. 526). As to the proposed notice of pre-emption relative to the surplus land at Finsbury Park.

Adjourned until Friday the 6th May next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 17.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **6th** day of **May,** 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	George Hudson, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.		James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.		
Thomas John White, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 29th April last, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Finance Committee.

Spring Gardens, 3rd May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 30th April, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	86,227 14 7	1,189 1 1	..	85,038 13 6
Fire Brigade	..	8,958 2 11	2,405 4 2	..	6,552 18 9
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	500,825 1 3	..	..	500,825 1 3
Fire Brigade	..	14,818 12 2	..	..	14,818 12 2
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,777 12 1	..	..	1,777 12 1
Victoria Park Approach	4,210 5 10	..	..	4,210 5 10	..
Finsbury Park	..	421 2 7	72 13 11	..	348 8 8
Southwark Park	..	895 6 4	..	..	895 6 4
Whitechapel Improvement	3,254 13 9	..	..	3,254 13 9	..
Kensington Improvement	..	5,732 13 9	131 18 6	..	5,600 15 3
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	47,567 15 9	4,752 4 0	..	42,815 11 9
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	9,534 3 5	..	1,989 12 0	11,523 15 5	..
Park Lane Improvement	..	2,741 2 4	..	..	2,741 2 4
Chelsea Embankment	..	1,609 3 3	..	..	1,609 3 3
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Holborn Improvement	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Firemen's Savings Fund	..	729 6 1	.	..	729 6 1
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,909 15 4	..	..	1,909 15 4
Consolidated Loans Fund	19,854 18 8	..	..	19,854,18 8	..
DEDUCT IN DEBT	36,854 1 8	676,051 5 9	10,540 13 8	38,843 13 8	667,500 4 1
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	36,854 1 8	..	..	38,843 13 8
		639,197 4 1	..	..	628,656 10 5
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	2,820 2 3	881 2 2	..	1,939 0 1
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
Thames Embankment, North	..	28,134 9 4	4,324 0 0	..	23,810 9 4
Southern Embankment	..	159,487 0 2	362 9 1	..	159,124 11 1
Mansion House Street	..	30,634 6 2	384 8 1	..	30,249 18 1
TOTAL CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	218,255 15 8	5,070 17 2	..	213,184 18 6
AGGREGATE TOTALS £	..	860,273 2 0	16,492 13 0	..	843,780 9 0

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,259 16s. 11d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	649 10s. 6d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Firemen's Savings Fund	2,066 12s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from 4th to 30th April, 1870—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Consolidated Stock—Further Instalment of Loan of £2,500,000	.. ..	368,931 12 8	..
Precepts—			
Hackney District	£5,944 9 11		
Rotherhithe	1,270 7 1		
Carried forward	£7,214 17 0	368,931 12 8	..

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..	£7,214 17 0		368,931 12 8	..
PRECEPTS—(Continued)—				
Kensington	8,475 14 2			
Lewisham District	3,041 8 3			
Wandsworth do.	5,891 4 5			
Chelsea	3,345 19 0			
Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter ..	18 3 0			
			27,987 5 10	
Dividend on New Three per Cents.			121 6 4	
Rates			362 0 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters			75 10 0	
Sale of Hay—Finsbury Park			13 10 0	
Fees under Building Act			14 0 0	
				397,505 4 10
FIRE BRIGADE.				
Contributions—				
H. M. Treasury	£2,500 0 0			
Insurance Offices	1,188 1 4			
			3,688 1 4	
Chimney Fire Fines			122 15 0	
Watching Premises			302 11 0	
Subscription for Daily Reports of Fires			5 0 0	
				4,118 7 4
VICTORIA PARK APPROACH.				
Costs of Lease			.. ..	9 9 0
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT.				
Costs of License			.. ..	3 3 0
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.				
Rents			.. ..	26 7 10
FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND.				
Dividend on Reduced Three per Cents.			.. ..	30 7 1
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.				
Rates			.. ..	129 0 0
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.				
Sale of Plots			£136 0 0	
Interest—East London Railway			1,264 18 0	
Rents			942 8 0	
Dividend on New Three per Cents.			1,889 2 5	
				4,232 8 5
				£406,054 7 6

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £7,330 19s. 9d., be paid.

The Board, on the 18th February last (No. 1), having referred it to your Committee to consider and report as to the present position in the market of their Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, and as to the Transfer Stamp on the same, with authority to communicate with the Government and others thereon, they have now to report that they have been in communication, through the Chairman of the Board, with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for the purpose of ascertaining the terms upon which he would assent to a composition in lieu of the Stamp Duty on each transfer of the Board's Stock; and they have had under their consideration the letter from Mr. C. Rivers Wilson, which was presented to the Board on the 29th ultimo, and which gives the conclusion at which the Chancellor of the Exchequer has arrived in the matter—namely, that a composition of 7s. 6d. per cent. might properly be accepted in lieu of the Stamp Duty on each transfer, but that, to give effect to such an arrangement, legislation would be necessary; and that a Bill to amend the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, must be prepared. Your Committee have also had before them the letter from Messrs. Rothschild and others, urging the Board to compound with the Government for the Stamp Duty now payable on the transfer of their Consolidated Stock, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 75). Your Committee have also received from the Solicitor the draft of a Bill which he had prepared in accordance with the

views of the Chancellor of the Exchequer; but, considering the importance of the question, with reference to the future operations of the Board under their Loans Act, as well as the present position of their Stock in the Market, your Committee have directed copies of the Draft Bill and of Mr. Wilson's letter to be sent to each Member of the Board, and they beg to submit the same for the consideration and determination of the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, requesting permission to borrow the sum of £8,000 for a term of twenty years, for paving works in the parish, referred by the Board on the 25th March, 1870, (No. 5); and a further letter from the Vestry, stating that their Surveyor's estimate for the works exceeds the above-mentioned amount by upwards of £1,000, and requesting permission to their borrowing the sum of £9,000 instead of £8,000, referred by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 10). They have received a report from the Engineer to the effect that the estimate for the proposed works is, in his opinion, fair and reasonable; and, being of opinion that the works are desirable, your Committee recommend—

> That the Vestry of Bermondsey be permitted to borrow the sum of £9,000 for the purpose of executing paving works in the parish, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding twenty years.

In accordance with the reference to them by the Board on the 1st April, 1870, (No. 76), your Committee have to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. E. W. James, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board of Works, requesting the sanction of this Board to a loan by the District Board of the sum of £15,000, for a term of thirty years for defraying the cost of additional sewerage works in their District. The Engineer has reported to your Committee that the works proposed to be executed were sanctioned by the Board on the 28th May last (No. 16), the 6th August last (No. 25), and the 3rd December last (No. 11); that they comprise a total length of nearly seven miles of brick and pipe sewer, and that the estimate for them is reasonable. The District Board have already been authorised to borrow £115,000 for sewerage works, a portion of which has been paid off, and the rateable value of the district is £357,440. Considering the importance of the proposed works to the district, your Committee think that they should be carried out, and they, therefore, recommend—

> That the Greenwich District Board be permitted to borrow the sum of £15,000, for defraying the cost of additional sewerage works in the district, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding thirty years.

Your Committee have also considered the letter from the Lewisham District Board, requesting the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £9,000, for a term of thirty years, for defraying the cost of paving works in the parish of Lewisham, referred by the Board on the 8th April last (No. 18). Your Committee have received from the Engineer a report to the effect that he has examined the detailed estimate for the proposed works, which he believes to be fair and reasonable. Your Committee, having considered the nature of the works, are of opinion that the loan should not be sanctioned for a longer period than twenty years, and they accordingly recommend—

> That the Lewisham District Board be permitted to borrow the sum of £9,000 for defraying the cost of paving works in the parish of Lewisham, the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum, such sum, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding twenty years.

The Board having, on the 22nd April, 1870, (No. 4), referred to your Committee a report by the Engineer, on a letter from the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, requesting payment of the £600 agreed to be contributed by this Board on the 12th November last (No. 6), towards the cost of widening the bridge over the South Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth; stating that the widening of the two bridges has been completed, they have to report that the District Board are now entitled to the promised contribution, and they, therefore, recommend—

> That a cheque for £600 be drawn in favour of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, being the amount agreed to be contributedby this Board towards the cost of an improve-

ment effected by the District Board, by the widening of the bridges over the South Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth.

Your Committee have further to report that they find that it becomes necessary to invest certain dividends and a portion of the balance of the Firemen's Savings Fund, and they acccordingly recommend—

That investments of the following amounts be made, viz.—£121 6s. 4d. dividend on the Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, to be invested in New £3 per cents. £19 1s. 8d. dividend on the Fire Brigade Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, to be invested in Consols. £600 0s. 0d., portion of the accrued balance of the Firemen's Savings Fund, to be invested in £3 per cents. reduced, and that a cheque for £740 8s. be drawn for that purpose.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
G. P. MEADEN.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
STEPHENS, R.—			
(3976) Repairs to Wheelbarrows for Sewers, January, 1870		4 12 11	
CLARK, A.—			
(3977) Fresh Water for Crossness Pumping Station, March, 1870 ..		20 8 9	
CORY, W., AND SON—			
(3978) Coals supplied, March, 1870—			
Pumping Stations—Crossness	£736 8 9		
Abbey Mills	3 9 4		
Gas-meter Testing-house—Shoreditch	4 11 5		
		744 9 6	
COULSON, STOKES, AND Co.—			
(3979) Iron and other Materials for Pumping Stations &c.—			
Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870—			
Deptford Pumping Station	£3 12 7		
Crossness ,, ...	33 7 8		
Abbey Mills ,, ...	1 15 1		
Penstock House, Deptford	1 12 6		
		40 7 10	
NORRIS, S. E., AND Co.—			
(3980) Leather Valves and other Materials for Pumping Stations, February and March, 1870—			
Deptford	£47 3 0		
Crossness	37 1 1		
Abbey Mills	36 0 0		
		120 4 1	
PHŒNIX GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—			
(3981) Gas supplied at Deptford Pumping Station, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870		34 9 7	
WEST HAM GAS COMPANY—			
(3982) Gas supplied to Lamps on Bridge over Northern Outfall Sewer at Stratford, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870 ..	£5 5 0		
Gas supplied to Abbey Mills Pumping Station, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	98 11 1		
		103 16 1	
LONDON GAS LIGHT COMPANY—			
(3983) Gas supplied at Cremorne Pumping Station, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870		6 0 11	
CHELSEA WATER WORKS COMPANY—			
(3984) Water supplied at Cremorne Pumping Station, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870		14 5 0	
SILVER, S. W., AND Co.—			
(3985) Caps for Gardeners at Finsbury Park, April, 1870		1 0 4	
Carried forward ..		£1,089 15 0	.. ..

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..	£1,089 15 0	.. ..
TAYLOR, R. P., AND Co.—		
(3986) Repairs to Lawn Mower for Finsbury Park, April, 1870 ..	2 10 0	
NICHOLSON, J.—		
(3987) Repairing and painting Entrance Gates, &c., at Southwark Park, December, 1869	35 18 9	
BECK, REV. E. J.—		
(3988) Tithe Rent Charge on Land taken for Southwark Park, Half-year due 1st April, 1870	17 6 0	
SMITH, J., AND Co., Contractors—		
(3989) Stationery, Account Books, Binding, &c., Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	324 2 4	
ADIE, P.—		
(3990) Repairs to Surveying Instruments, &c., January, 1869, to January, 1870	14 7 8	
WADESON, C. A.—		
(3991) Mounting Plans, &c., January to March, 1870	19 12 5	
STEEL, D.—		
(3992) Newspapers, January to March, 1870	8 10 7	
GLOVER BROTHERS—		
(3993) Gas-holder for Westminster Gas-meter Testing-house, April, 1870	36 0 0	
PARKINSON AND Co.—		
(3994) Portable Gas-holder for Westminster Gas-meter Testing-house, April, 1870	73 6 0	
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—		
(3995) Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £34,000, due 19th May, 1870	266 12 2	
		1,888 0 11

FIRE BRIGADE.

SHAND, MASON, AND Co.—		
(2502) Repairs to Engines, &c., Quarter ending 31st March, 1870 ..	64 5 2	
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—		
(2503) Repairs to Engines, &c., Quarter ending 31st March, 1870 ..	21 10 5	
RUMBOLD, T., AND SON—		
(2504) Engine-wheels and Repairs, Quarter ending 31st March, 1870..	55 11 6	
PIMLICO WHEEL WORKS—		
(2505) Engine-wheels and Repairs, Quarter ending 31st March, 1870..	15 4 6	
EASTONS, AMOS, AND ANDERSON—		
(2506) Repairs to Float A, January and March, 1870	53 2 3	
NASH AND MILLER—		
(2507) Repairs to Boats and Floats, &c., February and March, 1870 ..	11 16 6	
ELL, G.—		
(2508) Granite block for securing Escape, and Painting and repairing Escapes—Quarter ending 31st March ,1870	189 10 6	
CLARKE, G.—		
(2509) Jumping Sheets, March, 1870	8 12 0	
NOBES AND HUNTER—		
(2510) Rivetted leather Hose with gun metal couplings, April, 1870 ..	149 14 0	
STANTON BROTHERS—		
(2511) Brass Tubing, &c., for repairs, January to March, 1870 ..	6 13 4	
VAN, H., AND Co.—		
(2512) Cord, Canvas, &c.—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	25 2 4	
COULSON, STOKES, AND Co.—		
(2513) Bolt Rope, April, 1870	7 2 6	
PINCHIN, JOHNSON, AND Co.—		
(2514) Oil, Cotton-waste, &c.—Quarter ending 31st March, 1870 ..	392 13 7	
Carried forward ..	£1,000 18 7	.. ..

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..	1,000 18 7	.. ..
CORY, W., AND SON—		
(2515) Coals and Coke for Stations and Floats, January to March, 1870	229 7 3	
HUMPHREYS, T., (Executors of)—		
(2516) Firewood, January to March, 1870..	44 0 0	
BELL AND BLACK—		
(2517) Lighters for Engine-fires, April, 1870	10 16 0	
LANGSFORD, H.—		
(2518) Repairs to Harness, February and March, 1870	6 1 0	
COMPTON AND SON—		
(2519) Clothing for Firemen, &c., March, 1870..	74 2 3	
MEAD, J.—		
(2520) Boots for Firemen, &c., March, 1870	8 14 9	
ALMOND, G. W.—		
(2521) Helmets, &c., January to March, 1870	4 12 6	
STONE, J., AND Co.		
(2522) Glasses for Lamps, March, 1870	3 6 0	
BOOBBYER, J. H., AND Co.—		
(2523) Ironmongery, Quarter ending 31st March, 1870	4 10 10	
HAYNE, H. W.—		
(2524) Timber, for Repairs, &c., January to March, 1870	7 8 9	
BUCK, J.—		
(2525) Tools for repairing, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	6 17 11	
WOOD, H. & T., AND Co.—		
(2526) Cocoa-nut Matting, January to March, 1870—		
Clapham Station £0 13 4		
Westminster ,, ... 6 17 6		
Wellclose Square ,, ... 4 3 4		
Kennington ,, ... 4 3 4		
	15 17 6	
RIGBY, E., AND Co.—		
(2527) Baskets and Brushes, January and February, 1870	2 0 0	
GREENE, H., AND SON—		
(2528) Gas-burners, &c., for Kennington Station, March and April, 1870 ..	6 9 3	
		1,425 2 7
FINSBURY PARK.		
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—		
(172) Fair Copying, October, 1869	0 4 1	
Ditto November, 1869 .. .. .. £0 19 8		
Stamps 5 15 0		
	6 14 8	
Fair Copying, December, 1869	0 19 6	
		7 18 3
SOUTHWARK PARK.		
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(211) Erecting Urinals and Closets, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869 ..	259 17 9	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—		
(212) Fair Copying, November, 1869 .. .. .. £0 16 1		
Stamps 3 15 0		
	4 11 1	
		264 8 10
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(42) Further on account of Sewers in Plough Road, &c.—Contract No. 133	650 0 0	
PEARSON, T., Contractor—		
(43) Further on account of Sewers, &c., Belvedere Road, &c.—Contract No. 122	1,244 0 0	
WADESON, C. A.—		
(44) Mounting Plans, &c., January to March, 1870..	5 6 6	
		1,899 6 6
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.		
ROBINSON AND EYRE—		
(30) Lamp Pillars, &c., January and March, 1870	243 3 4	
Carried forward ..	£243 3 4	3,596 16 2

	£ s. d.	£ s. d
Brought forward ..	243 3 4	3,596 16 2
STRUDWICK, W.—		
(31) Photographs of Lamp Standards, March and April, 1870 ..	5 10 0	
EQUITABLE GAS LIGHT COMPANY—		
(32) Gas for Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	43 17 6	
		292 10 10
MANSION HOUSE STREET.		
MILLER, R., Collector—		
(53) Poor-rate and Tithes for Properties taken		174 3 0
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—		
(10) *General*—		
Weekly Wages—Week ending 27th April, 1870 ..	£272 10 11	
Petty Cash Payments—26th April to 2nd May, 1870..	75 16 6	
Clerks of Works, &c.—Travelling Expenses, to Lady-day, 1870	25 6 10	
Compensations for Floodings at Poplar	16 0 0	
Rates & Taxes, for Premises used for Drainage Purposes	6 6 9	
Ditto, Lodge at Finsbury Park	1 12 1	
	397 13 1	
Fire Brigade—		
Weekly Wages, Draughtsman—Week ending 27th April, 1870	2 10 0	
Ditto, Firemen—Week ending 30th April, 1870 ..	511 6 0	
Firemen's Savings Fund—Amoumt returned to Firemen leaving the service	6 0 6	
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Week ending 30th April, 1870	1 11 0	
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations ..	9 11 5	
Foremen's Expenses, March, 1870—		
Expenses at Fires £215 17 11		
Incidentals 72 2 9		
	288 0 8	
Incidental Expenses at Chief Station, March, 1870 ..	15 18 5	
Rates and Taxes for sundry Stations	105 1 0	
	939 19 0	
Whitechapel Improvement—		
Weekly Wages—Week ending 27th April, 1870 ..	£3 3 0	
Insurance of "Cock" P. H., High Street, to Midsummer, 1871	1 9 2	
	4 12 2	
Stingo Lane Improvement—		
Petty Disbursements—March, 1870	0 2 11	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers—		
Weekly Wages—Week ending 27th April, 1870	20 2 6	
Advertisements—February and March, 1870—		
General	£3 1 0	
Fire Brigade	1 11 0	
	4 12 0	
		1,367 1 8
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—		
(33) Weekly Wages—Week ending 27th April, 1870	11 4 0	
Wadeson, C. A.—Mounting Plans, &c.—January to March, 1870	1 3 2	
		12 7 2
TOTAL		£7,330 19 9

Certified
(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
G. P. MEADEN,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

The Letter from Mr. C. Rivers Wilson, presented to the Board on Friday last (No. 22), and the Draft Bill referred to in the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the several sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £7,330 19s. 9d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Newton—"That the terms proposed by "the Chancellor of the Exchequer in Mr. Wilson's letter with reference to the composition of "7s. 6d. per cent. in lieu of the Transfer Stamp Duty on the Board's Metropolitan Consolidated "Stock, and the draft Bill prepared by the Solicitor for giving effect to the proposition be "approved and adopted by the Board, and that it be referred to the Parliamentary Com- "mittee to take the necessary steps for obtaining the passing of the Bill by the Legislature."

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Shaw—"That the proposed Bill for the purpose of redeeming the existing stamp duty of 2s. 6d. per "cent. upon transfer of the Metropolitan 3½ per Cent. Consolidated Stock shall not include "any redemption of the duty upon the Stock already raised, but that it be confined to future "loans."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Vestry of Bermondsey be permitted to borrow the sum of £9,000 for the purpose of executing paving works in the Parish, the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum, and that the loan, with interest, be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding twenty years.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Board of Works for the Greenwich District be permitted to borrow the sum of £15,000 for defraying the cost of additional Sewerage works in the District, the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum, and the principal, with interest, to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding thirty years.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Board of Works for the Lewisham District be permitted to borrow the sum of £9,000 for defraying the cost of kerbing footpaths and channelling roads in the parish of Lewisham, the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum, and the principal, with interest,to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period not exceeding twenty years.

The **motion** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded—That a cheque for £600 be drawn in favour of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, being the amount agreed to be contributed by this Board towards the cost of an improvement effected by the District Board, by the widening of the bridges over the South Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth.

Mr. Bidgood having stated that the bridges were still strutted up, and suggested that the Engineer should examine them and report upon their present condition, the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and it was

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor —That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until Friday next, and that, in the meantime, the Engineer do inspect the bridges in question, and report as to their present condition.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That investments of the following amounts be made, viz.—

£121 6s. 4d. dividend on the Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, to be invested in New £3 per Cents.

£19 1s. 8d. dividend on the Fire Brigade Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, to be invested in Consols.

£600 0s. 0d. portion of the accrued balance of the Firemen's Savings Fund, to be invested in £3 per Cents. Reduced.

And that a Cheque for £740 8s. 0d. be drawn for this purpose, and a cheque was drawn on the Consolidated Cash Account accordingly.

3. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 2nd May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have drawn cheques for the following amounts for payments connected with the several Improvements now in progress—

Thames Embankment, North.

	£	s.	d.
Re Temple Pier Co.—			
Vallance and Vallance—Costs of Title and Release	24	0	0
Mansion House Street.			
Re Middlesex Hospital—			
Governors of Middlesex Hospital—Purchase-money of Fee Farm Rents, Nos. 11, 12, and 15, Bucklersbury, and 5 houses in Lambeth Hill ..	46	0	0
	£70	0	0

Your Committee have had before them a Report by the Engineer calling attention to the case of William Rist who was in the employment of the Board as an Inspector of Brickwork for a period of 8 years, but whose services were dispensed with at the end of December last, upon the completion of the section of the Northern Low Level Sewer on which he was engaged. Your Committee find that, from the date of his first entering the service of the Board to October last, he was employed upon some of their most important works on the south side of the river, including, amongst others, the Outfall Sewer, the Southwark-street Subway, and the High and Low Level Sewers. In October he was transferred to the north side of the river, and was employed upon the section of the Low Level Sewer then in course of construction by the Railway Company, near Saint Andrew's Hill. The work was in tunnel, and being carried on both night and day, the shifts of duty were continually changing; the atmosphere of the tunnel was bad, and was made worse by the use of naphtha lamps. The result was that Rist succumbed, and soon after being paid off he was under the charge of a doctor, and subsequently went into a Hospital where he remained several weeks; he is now, the Engineer states, an "outpatient," and though much better is still unable to follow any employment. The Engineer further states that, whilst in the service of the Board, Rist, whose wages were £2 16s. 0d. per week, was an industrious and steady man, that his age is 38, and that he has a wife and 4 children to support. Your Committee instructed the Medical Officer of the Fire Brigade District in which Rist resides to examine him, and they have now received a report from the Medical Officer to the effect that Rist is suffering from the effects of an attack of inflammation of the lungs, implicating the pleura, and intimating his opinion that the nature of Rist's employment, viz., working in a tunnel day and night, exposed to cold and damp air, is very likely to have produced such an attack and the symptoms under which he now suffers. Taking these circumstances into consideration, your Committee think that this is a case in which the Board would be justified in giving some little assistance, and they recommend that a gratuity of £10 be granted to Mr. Rist.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the subject of the improvement which the Board, on the 15th November, 1867, determined to carry out at Shepherdess-walk, City-road, by the setting back of the boundary wall of St. Luke's Workhouse, and the removal of the bar and the forecourts of Lady Lumley's Almshouses. Your Com-

mittee having ascertained from the Superintending Architect that the materials had been removed, and that the ground was ready to be formed into a road, instructed the Engineer to report to them as to the making up of the roadway. They have now received a report from that officer, from which it appears that the intended widening of this street extends from the City-road to the south end of Vaughan-place, a length of about 660 feet. The original width of the street was about 25 feet, with a footway averaging 8 feet in width on one side only. The street is now laid out to a width of from 46 to 50 feet, and the Engineer suggests that a footway, 9 feet in width, should be formed on either side. At the present time the frontage line of the east side of the street, for a length of 93 feet north of Eagle-street, projects beyond the line of intended frontage to the extent of 8 feet, and the Engineer recommends that, in the event of this not being set back previously to the formation of the street, the existing footway at this part should be allowed to remain at its present width, viz., 6 feet, and that the new paving should be worked into it by an easy curve. The general width of the street, north of the improvement, is about 50 feet. Your Committee concur in the report of the Engineer, and they recommend that advertisements be issued, inviting tenders for the formation, in macadam, of the new road.

Your Committee have considered the letter, referred on the 22nd ultimo (No. 9), from Mrs. Hunter, widow of the late Mr. R. J. Hunter, Draughtsman in the Engineer's Department, urging the Board to take two of her sons into their employment, and enclosing an application from Mr. R. E. Hunter, one of the sons, for such employment. Mrs. Hunter, in support of her application, refers to the long and able services of her late husband, and states that by his death the care of providing for a family of seven will devolve upon her and her eldest son, whose age is 21. Your Committee have given these applications their best consideration, but, having regard to the statement which they have already made to the Board, to the effect that it was not proposed to fill up, at all events at present, the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Hunter's death, they are not prepared to advise the Board to accede to the request, and they recommend that Mrs. Hunter and her son be informed, in reply to their letters, that the Board at present are not in a position to add to their staff.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the report of the Engineer, referred to them on the 29th ultimo (No. 13), with reference to the alterations to the Fleet outlet, at Chatham-place, Blackfriars, rendered necessary by the works of the Metropolitan District Railway at that point. On the 4th August, 1865, the Board considered a letter from Mr. Fowler respecting these, and other alterations connected with the new Blackfriars-bridge, stating that the Bridge authorities and the Railway Company had agreed to adopt one of two alternative plans which had been previously prepared; the Bridge authorities to do the portion next the river; the Railway Company the portion under their railway, and thence to a proposed flap chamber; and this Board the remainder. The Board approved the plan, and gave permission to the Railway Company and the Bridge authorities to execute the work, but entirely at their own cost. The latter have executed that part of the work in the abutment of the bridge, and it now becomes necessary for the Railway Company to execute the remainder, but Mr. Fowler, it appears, demurs to execute, at the cost of the Railway Company, the Penstock and Flap Chambers, alleging that similar works must have been constructed by this Board in connection with the Thames Embankment and the Main Drainage Works. After some discussion, the Engineer has prepared a Plan to show the works which the Board would have to execute, independently of the interference of any other works, and he has re-arranged the design to keep such works distinct and separate from those entailed by the interference of the Railway Company. Mr. Fowler is willing to undertake that the Railway Company shall pay the cost of the remainder. With regard to the execution of the works, Mr. Fowler is desirous that they should be carried out by the Board's contractor, and some correspondence has taken place on this point, as it appeared to the Engineer that, if the opening of the Railway was dependent upon their completion, it would be preferable, in order to save time and complication, that works in such close proximity to the railway works should be executed by one contractor. The estimated cost of the work necessary to be carried out for the purposes of the Board is £1,800, and your Committee beg

to recommend that these works be executed by Mr. Webster, the contractor for the third portion of the Thames Embankment, North, at a cost not exceeding such estimate, and, with regard to the remainder of the works rendered necessary by the interference of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, that the Railway Company do make their own arrangement with Mr. Webster, and that such works be carried out to the satisfaction of the Board.

The Solicitor has reported to your Committee that a cheque for £150 is required as a payment on general account of the last Poor Rate, made by the Parish of West Ham, in respect of the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, pending the decision of the Court of Queen's Bench, as to the principle upon which the rateable value of the station is to be assessed. Your Committee recommend that a cheque for the above-mentioned sum be drawn on the General Account in favour of Messrs. Wilson and Son, the Solicitors of the present overseers.

Your Committee have also ascertained that it necessary that a payment of £54 5s. 11d. should be made in respect of Poor Rates assessed on Finsbury Park, on the 30th April and 30th October, 1869, and your Committee recommend that a cheque for this sum be drawn on the Finsbury Park Account, in favour of Mr. William Potter.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter, referred to them on the 11th February last, from the Vestry of Chelsea, with reference to a proposed improvement at the upper end of Church-street, as shown on the plan accompanying the application. The Vestry represent that the Improvement is much needed, the upper end of Church-street being a place of great and increasing traffic, and that the widening of the thoroughfare by throwing into the street a portion of the Jews' Burial ground would be a work of great public utility. They, therefore, beg that the Board will take the subject up as a Metropolitan Improvement. Your Committee have viewed the locality, but do not think that the advantages offered by the proposed improvement are such as would justify the Board in carrying it out at the general cost of the ratepayers. They, therefore, recommend that the Vestry be informed that the Board are unable to entertain their request.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of measures being taken for letting the ground which formed lot 3 at the recent auction of the plots in Queen Victoria-street, and which, it will be remembered, was not then let, in consequence of the biddings not reaching the reserved price placed upon it by the Board. Your Committee think that the best course to pursue would be to place a notice Board on the ground intimating that they are prepared to receive tenders for the plot in question, and your Committee recommend the Board to give the necessary directions for this purpose.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That in consideration of the present state of health of William Rist, lately employed as a Clerk of Works, and the fact of his illness being, in all probability, attributable to the nature of his employment whilst in the service of the Board, a gratuity of £10 be granted to him, and that a cheque for the sum be now drawn, and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the formation, in macadam, of the new road in Shepherdess Walk.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Hows, and seconded by Mr. Dodd—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and having been put as an **original motion**, it was also carried and **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That Mrs. Hunter and Mr. R. E. Hunter, the widow and son of the late Mr. R. J. Hunter, be informed, in reply to their letters, that the Board are not at present in a position to add to their staff.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Flap and Penstock Chambers necessary to be constructed for the purposes of the Board, for the diversion of the Fleet Outlet be executed by Mr. Webster, the Contractor for the third portion of the Thames Embankment, North, at an estimated cost not exceeding £1,800, and that, with regard to the remainder of the works rendered necessary by the interference of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, the Railway Company do make their own arrangement with Mr. Webster, and that such works be carried out to the satisfaction of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That a cheque be drawn on the General Account for the sum of £150 on account of Poor Rate of the Parish of West Ham, made on the 26th March last, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That a cheque for £54 5s. 11d., be drawn on the General Account in favour of Mr. William Potter, in respect of Poor Rates on Finsbury Park, and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the Vestry of Chelsea be informed, in reply to their letter requesting the Board to undertake the widening of the upper end of Church-street, Chelsea, as a Metropolitan Improvement, that the Board are unable to entertain the request.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That a notice board be affixed on the portion of ground which formed lot 3 at the recent letting by auction of the plots in Queen Victoria-street, intimating that the Board are prepared to receive tenders for the same.

4. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 3rd May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 29th ultimo (No. 24), they have considered the application of Messrs. Clutton, on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, requesting a re-consideration of their plan for the formation of two streets and a mews on the Newington Glebe Estate. Sanction to the plan in question was refused by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 17), on account of the entrance to the new streets from Newington Butts being 35 feet in width only, and the applicants now request a re-consideration of the plan on the ground that, to make the entrance to the streets of the full width, much valuable property will have to be removed. Your Committee have heard statements from the parties in support of the application, and, after having given the matter careful re-consideration, they are still of opinion that the narrow entrance is very objectionable, and also that the gradient at the junction of the street with Newington Butts is too steep; they, therefore, again recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. F. Smyrke, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for a row of shops in New Cross-road, and to the formation of new roads to lead out of that road into the Hatcham Park Estate, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 21). Objection was made to this plan by the authorities of All Saints' Church, on the ground that the shops in New Cross-road would be in advance of the Church, which adjoins the site proposed for them. This objection has, however, now been withdrawn, and, as the shops will follow the general line of frontage in the road, your Committee consider that the application should be granted, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also to report that the application of Mr. R. A. Hill, on behalf of Mr. Charles Kynock, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a new road

to lead from Wandsworth-road on the north, towards Clapham Common on the south, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo, (No. 53), has been withdrawn.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 8th ultimo, (No. 60), they have considered the application of Mr. W. N. Lockington, for approval by the Board of an amended plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of High-street, Homerton, and of the name "Sedgwick-street" for the same. This plan is for a road of the full width but with only one entrance. Your Committee consider that the whole of the road should be dedicated to the public, and that no barrier should be erected in any part of it, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, subject to those conditions.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. J. Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of No. 1, Stafford-place, Camberwell, referred by the Board on the 1st ultimo, (No. 41). Since this application was made, Mr. Thomas and the Vestry of Camberwell have agreed to a plan which your Committee have had submitted to them, and to which they see no objection, and they beg to recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the building be kept back to a line 7 feet from the outer edge of the kerb in Wyndham-road; that the space in front be given up for the use of the public, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in accordance with the plan signed by the applicant and the surveyor to the Vestry of Camberwell, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 18), they have further considered the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 466, Hackney-road. Your Committee recommended the refusal of this application on the 8th ultimo, for the reason that the house, No. 468, Hackney-road, adjoining, would, if the erection were made, stand between two projections. Your Committee have carefully re-considered the matter, and they find that the houses westward of No. 466, with the exception of No. 464, have shops erected on their forecourts. The Vestry do not object to the erection, and, under all the circumstances, your Committee beg to recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the memorial from householders in Colney Hatch Park requesting the Board to direct that place to be re-named New Southgate, referred to them on the 8th ultimo, (No. 73). The locality in question is outside the Metropolitan area and, therefore, not within the jurisdiction of the Board. Your Committee recommend that the memorialists be informed to that effect, and be referred to the local authorities.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
P. H. LE BRETON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
SILAS TAYLOR,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Messrs. Clutton, for the consent of the Board to the formation and names of two streets and a mews on the Newington Glebe Estate, be not granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. J. F. Smyrke, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for a row of shops, one storey in height, in New Cross-road, and to the formation of new roads to lead out of that road into the Hatcham Park Estate, be granted, on condition that the shops be erected in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. W. N. Lockington, for the consent of the Board to an amended Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of High-street, Homerton, and of the name "Sedgwick-street" for the same, be granted, on condition that the whole of the road be dedicated to the use of the public, and that no barrier be erected in any part of it.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Mr. J. Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop, one storey in height, on the forecourt of No. 1, Stafford-place, Camberwell, be granted, on condition that the building be kept back to a line 7 feet from the outer edge of the kerb in Wyndham-road, that the space in front be given up for the use of the public, and that the erection in other respects be made in accordance with the plan signed by the applicant and the Surveyor to the Vestry of Camberwell, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the application of Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Mr. Marshall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 446, Hackney-road, be granted, on condition that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the report as relates to the Memorial from householders in Colney Hatch Park, requesting the Board to direct that place to be re-named "New Southgate," be approved, and that the Memorialists be informed to the effect thereof.

5. The Board considered further the report of the Works and General Purposes Committee adjourned on Friday last, (No. 7), stating—

> "That the Committee, having received and carefully considered a report by the Engineer "on the subject of the price charged by Messrs. Hill and Keddell for an arris rail fence, are of "opinion that there is no foundation for the charges made by a Member of the Board, on the "1st ultimo, against the conduct of the Engineer in certifying the account of Messrs. Hill "and Keddell."

The Report by the Engineer, referred to, was laid before the Board.

After discussion, it was

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the question of the price charged by Messrs. Hill and Keddell for an arris rail fence, be approved, and that the Board concur with the Committee in their opinion that there is no foundation for the charges made by a Member of the Board, on the 1st April last, against the conduct of the Engineer in certifying the account of Messrs. Hill and Keddell.

6. Mr. Westerton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 27th April, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them a Plan, prepared by the Superintending Architect, showing the several plots of building ground in Southwark Park, together with the draft forms of advertisement and tender, and particulars and conditions of letting, which have been revised by the Solicitor. Your Committee consider that the proposed method of plotting the ground is a satisfactory one, and they beg to submit the Plan and Documents referred to, and to recommend that they be approved, and that the advertisement be inserted, inviting tenders for the plots, such tenders to be sent in by Four o'clock on Thursday, the 26th May next.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the question of the rights of pre-emption of the surplus land in Finsbury Park, reserved by the 34th section of the Finsbury Park Act. Your Committee have conferred with the Solicitor on this subject, and have received from him a form of notice to be given to the parties entitled to pre-emption rights, together with the conditions of purchase. They have also had before them a report by the Superintending Architect stating his estimate of the areas to be offered. Your Committee

beg to submit the form of notice and conditions of purchase, and they recommend that it be approved and adopted, and that it be referred back to the Committee to insert in the notice such sum as they may deem advisable, and serve it upon the parties.

Your Committee have had before them a tender, obtained by their direction from Mr. J. F. Meston, for widening, preparing, and gravelling the paths round the lake and refreshment room in Finsbury Park, for the sum of £266. The paths in question are very much frequented, and it is desirable that no time should be lost in carrying out these works. Your Committee, having ascertained from the Superintending Architect that he has checked Mr. Meston's estimate and considers the amount fair and reasonable, beg to submit the tender, and recommend that it be accepted.

Your Committee have also to submit a letter which they have received from the Vestry of Rotherhithe transmitting a formal notice of their intention to make up the carriage way and pave the footways of Gomm-road, at an estimated cost of £401 2s. 10d., and stating that they have apportioned the amount to be paid by this Board in respect of their ground there at £112 12s. 5d. Your Committee have ascertained from the Superintending Architect that the amount is a fair one, and they recommend that it be paid to the Vestry.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
G. P. MEADEN,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Plan of building plots in Southwark Park, and the forms of Advertisement and Tender for the same; the form of notice to the parties entitled to rights of pre-emption of the surplus land in Finsbury Park; the Tender from Mr. J. F. Meston, for preparing the paths round the lake in Finsbury Park; and the letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe referred to in the Report were severally laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the plan of the building plots in Southwark Park, and the forms of Advertisement and Tender for the same, and the particulars and conditions of letting, now submitted be approved, and that the Advertisement be inserted in the public newspapers; the Tenders to be sent in before Four o'clock on the 9th June next.

It was moved by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the form of notice to the parties entitled to rights of pre-emption of the surplus land in Finsbury Park now submitted, be approved and adopted, and that it be referred back to the Committee to insert in the notice such sum as they may deem advisable, and to cause it to be served upon the parties.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Elt, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Thompson—"That, inasmuch as by the Finsbury Park Act, 1857, the Legislature enacted that, 'a Park for the Northern Suburbs of the Metropolis should be formed, containing in the "whole two hundred and fifty acres, or thereabouts,' and, by the seventh section of the said "Act, power is given to the Metropolitan Board of Works, 'to provide, form, and maintain "such Park,' and the said Board have purchased for such purpose Land to the extent of only "one hundred and eighteen acres, or thereabouts, which area has since been reduced to one "hundred and fifteen acres, or thereabouts,—it is not desirable that the Board should exercise "the power given in the thirty-fourth section of the said Act, to sell any portion of the "present limited area, as this section empowers to sell such land only out of the contemplated "area of two hundred and fifty acres, 'as shall not be wanted for the purposes of the Park,' "and that, therefore, notice of pre-emption to the original vendors or their representatives be "not given."

The Chairman ruled that the amendment could not be put, inasmuch as the Board, by their resolution of the 29th June, 1866, (No. 9), approved of the Plan showing the laying out of the Park, and the portion to be devoted to building purposes, and that the notice of pre-emption now proposed to be given was a legal obligation arising in consequence of that resolution.

The motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—20.		Against the Motion—9.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Dodd, H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.		
Healey, F., Esq.			
Hudson, G., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Westerton.		Teller—Mr. Elt.	

and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the Tender of Mr. J. F. Meston, for preparing the paths round the lake in Finsbury Park for the sum of £266 be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, stating their intention to make up the carriage way and pave the footways of Gomm-road be approved, and that the sum of £112 12s. 5d., the apportioned amount, be paid to the Vestry by the Board in respect of the ground there belonging to the Board, and a cheque for the amount was drawn on the Southwark Park Account accordingly.

7. The Board considered further the Report of the Building Act Committee, recommending—

> "That an additional fee of 5s. be allowed to District Surveyors for each inspection of a "dangerous structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be "done."

the consideration of which was adjourned on Friday last (No. 36).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That an additional fee of 5s. be allowed to District Surveyors for each inspection of a dangerous structure made subsequent to the service of notice on the owner requiring works to be done.

8. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That it be referred to the Building Act Committee to report to the Board what proceedings are being taken under the Dangerous Structures Act of last Session; by whose authority directions have been given for putting up the hoardings for dangerous structures, and generally as to the steps which have been taken for carrying out the provisions of the Act.

9. The Board considered further the amended Return as to District Surveyors' fees, ages, &c., adjourned on Friday last, (No. 37).

The Clerk reported that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 8th April last, (No. 15), he had requested the District Surveyor, Mr. Jennings, to state his age; and he laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Joseph Jennings, dated 14th April, 1870, inquiring under what Act of Parliament the Board claim a right to publish the ages of District Surveyors, and stating that he was fifty-eight, but that he objected to his age being published.

The Clerk also read the following letters, viz:—

> Letter from Mr. T. E. Knightley, District Surveyor for Hammersmith, dated 6th April, 1870, stating that he is 44 years of age, and inquiring why he is called upon to state his age, and expressing a hope that it will not be published.
>
> Letter from Mr. George Legg, District Surveyor, St. George, Hanover-square, dated 7th April, 1870, stating that he is 69 years of age.

Resolved—That the said Return be completed, and that it be then printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

10. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 5th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that a large and influential deputation representing the timber trade have attended before them on the subject of the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Bill now before the House of Commons. The objection of the trade is mainly against the 111th Clause of the Bill, which, as it now stands, provides, amongst other things, that it shall not be lawful to place or replace "a pile or store of cut wood or timber on the ground, or "on the top of a building or elsewhere, nearer to a street than the buildings forming the "general line of building therein, or nearer to a building in different occupation than 25 feet, "unless in every case there is a proper wall" to separate such wood or timber from the street and from every adjoining building. The timber trade represent that the enforcement of this clause would have the effect of seriously injuring the trade in the Metropolis, as in many cases business could not be carried on in existing premises, if a space of 25 feet were required between stacks of timber and adjoining buildings, and the erection of a wall round piles of timber would prevent them from drying, and would indeed tend to rot the timber. Your Committee are of opinion that there is much force in these objections, and that the timber trade would have just cause of complaint if the maintenance of the clause as it stands were insisted on. They have accordingly directed that the clause be modified by giving up the requirement of the 25 feet space, and simply providing that there shall be a proper separation between piles of timber and buildings containing steam machinery, with a view to protection from fire. With regard to that part of the clause which provides that timber shall not be placed nearer to a street than the general line of buildings, there appears to be little or no objection to that on the part of the trade, and the provision will be retained; it will not, however, be made to apply to piles of timber *now* projecting beyond the line. Your Committee believe that the objections of the timber trade will have thus been removed. Certain other objections of minor importance were made by other persons representing different associations, and your Committee requested that these might be submitted to them in writing, in order that they might be carefully considered. They also authorized the parties to confer with the Solicitor on those clauses to which they entertained objections.

Your Committee have further to report that the Board's petition against the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill has been sealed this day, and will be presented to the House of Lords to-morrow.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the several proceedings of the Committee be approved and adopted.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th May, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
SAINT PANCRAS.				
Woodsome-road, Highgate-road	About 610 400	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ 18 inch.	1 brick. Pipe.	Recommended for approval, the present outlet being only temporary.
ISLINGTON.				
New-road, south of the North London Railway, near Highbury Station	355	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works as therein recommended.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th May, 1870, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Name of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
		ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.			
1870. 2nd May.	Berwick-street, between Noel and Portland-streets.	Repairs to foot and carriage ways.	14 days.	14 days.	Poland and Wardour-streets.
		BERMONDSEY.			
3rd ,,	Fendall-street, the part between Grange-road and Grange-walk.	Repaving.	7 days.	7 days.	The Grange.
	Ditto from Grange-walk to Abbey-street.	Ditto.	14 ,,	14 ,,	Little George-street.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

13. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 4th May, 1870.

Monthly Report of the Progress of the Thames Embankment, Low Level Sewer, North, &c., Works.

North Side of the River.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 3), *between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge.* The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 707 feet, and the remaining length of about 215 feet is constructed to an average height of 7 feet above Trinity High-water mark. The length of the subway completed is 850 feet, and of the sewer 794 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage works on the foreshore of the river are all complete. Further progress with the works of the subway from the River to the City Gas Company's premises has been retarded by the works of the Railway. The materials of the four old houses which have been pulled down in Chatham-place are all cleared away for the formation of the approach to the Embankment from Bridge-street.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., between the terminal point of this Contract and the commencement of that part of these works which is being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company in connection with their works between Saint Andrew's-hill and New Earl-street, a length of 485 feet of the Sewer, 640 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″), and 39 coal vaults have been constructed. The excavations for the penstock chamber near the bridge are complete, and the brick and stone works are commenced.

The approximate cost of the whole of the foregoing works executed by Mr. Webster, is £84,640; of which £210 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag and C. Jannings, at a total weekly cost of £5 19s.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway are in active progress at various points along the line of the Embankment, Queen Victoria-street, &c. With the exception of a length of 647 feet, where the arching is still in progress, the whole of the side walls and arching between the Westminster Station and Blackfriars Bridge, a length of about 6,600 feet, are complete, and about 5,000 feet of the permanent way have been laid. At the Charing Cross Station, the roofing and parapet walls over the platforms, the plastering and fitting of the booking offices, &c., are being proceeded with. At the Norfolk-street Station, the whole of the girders and columns are fixed, and the walls of the booking offices are being built. Between Blackfriars Bridge and New Earl-street, about 1,200 feet of the side walls and arching are complete, and a further length of 960 feet is in progress. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, is employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple; from the latter point, eastward, they are under the charge of the Clerks of Works superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract, and the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., which is being constructed in connection with the Railway. A fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will, therefore, be borne by the Company.

I have already reported to the Works Committee the particulars of the recent accident at the Blackfriars Station. It has, however, no connection with, or will it in any way affect, any of the Board's works, but it must necessarily cause some delay, probably for about a fortnight, in the works of the Station.

Mr. Webster is making the requisite preparations for forming the carriage and footways along the line of the Embankment, and he is also forming the Subway under the latter, near Westminster Bridge, for the purpose of giving access to the lower footway and steam-boat-pier from the Subway lately constructed under Bridge-street, between the Houses of Parliament and the Metropolitan District Railway Station. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (for one-fourth of his time) and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £3 17s..

Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., between Saint Andrew's Hill and New Earl-street.—The Company have constructed, under their agreement with the Board, about 1,600 feet of the Low Level Sewer, 1,200 feet of the Subway, 200 feet of the smaller sewer, and 145 coal vaults. The total value of these several completed works is about £14,800, of which £2,800 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the Hermitage Lock and a section of the Low Level Sewerage Works,) K. Earnshaw and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £7 14s. 0d.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill.—Nearly the whole of the works contained in this contract, comprising a length of 2,560 feet of 8′ 9″ and 1,840 feet of 8′ 6″ barrel sewer, with the requisite side entrances and air shafts, are now completed by Mr. Webster, at a total estimated cost of £55,800. Mr. John Garton, Clerk of Works, is employed for about one-fourth of his time in superintending the work remaining to be done.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico.—The completed lengths of this section of the Low Level Line are about 6,300 feet of 7′ 9″; 1,740 feet of 6′ 9″; and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ brick sewers; the estimated cost of which, with the numerous minor works incidental thereto, is £53,000; of which £4,000 represent the progress made by Messrs. Hiscox and Williams in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. G. Bell (for one-half of his time), J. Wright, J. White, and R. Tuck, at a total weekly cost of £10 10s.

Whitechapel Improvement.—The contract lengths of the Subway, 1,140 feet, and of the Sewer, 1,206 feet, are complete. One hundred and nineteen coal vaults, 30 side-passages, and one side-entrance are also complete. The total length of carriage-way laid complete is 1,283 feet; of the footway 1,775 feet, and of the kerb 2,650 feet. The approximate cost of the whole of these works is about £14,600 of which £4,400 are due to the progress made by Messrs. Marshall and Maxwell in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Marshall at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

Wapping Sewers.—Under Mr. Webster's contract for the interception of the drainage of the western portion of Wapping, by means of a sewer carried along High Street, and under the Hermitage entrance to the London Docks, to a branch of the Nightingale Lane Sewer connected with the Low Level Line, about 50 feet of 4′ 0″ barrel, and 840 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewer have been constructed at an estimated cost of about £3,300; of which £500 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs J. Garton (for about one-fourth of his time) and J. Paget, at a total weekly cost of £4 4s.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The lengths of sewer completed by Mr. Nicholson are 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 2,190 feet of 4′ 0 × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of cast-iron pipe, 4′ 0″ in diameter, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. A further length of about 120 feet of brick sewer is in progress, and about 1,570 feet of stoneware pipes, varying from 18″ to 6″ in diameter, have been laid for drain connections, &c. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the several minor works incidental thereto, is about £12,920; of which £730 represent the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this and the following contract is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 18s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver have completed lengths of about 1,000 feet of 5′ 0″ × 3′ 4″; 3,300 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 750 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick-sewers, and have a further length of about 800 feet in progress. About 3,160 feet of stoneware pipe connections, varying from 15″ to 6″ in diameter, have also been laid. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the several minor works incidental thereto is about £10,650; of which £3,750 are due to the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistants are Messrs. W. Morton, W. Jeffery, and B. Butcher, and their weekly wages amount to £11 4s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th May, 1870, on letters from Mrs. Syme, relative to the defective drainage of her houses, Nos. 6 to 9, Hanover-terrace, Wells-road, Sydenham; setting forth the facts, and stating that it was a matter entirely for the Lewisham District Board of Works, if for any public body, to deal with, and recommending that a copy of Mrs. Syme's letters be sent to the District Board, and that she be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th May, 1870, stating that John Scott, Flap-keeper, who attended to the flaps in the Counter's Creek and Eel-brook Sewers, was at present suffering from gout and was unable to follow his employment; and that the requisite temporary arrangements had been made for the performance of his duties.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report and the temporary arrangements made by the Engineer be approved.

16. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
4th May, 1870.

QUEEN VICTORIA STREET SUBWAY.

The foundations of the old building connected with the Probate Office in Doctors' Commons are very much above the level of the Board's intended subway, the bottom of the brickwork being, at a point where I have had an examination made, about 18 feet above the flooring of the subway, and as it is probable that the building may rest upon arches, I would recommend, as a precautionary measure, and prior to carrying the subway past the building, that it should be underpinned for its entire length of 50 feet, and to a depth of about 14 feet, at an estimated cost of £150; the work being done by Messrs. Kelk, Warings, and Lucas under their contract with the Board for the construction of the subway, sewers, &c., in this portion of the new street.

As by the 19th Section of the Act authorising the formation of the new street to the Mansion House, it is provided that no property forming part of the Probate Court, or the offices connected therewith, shall be in any way interfered with without the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury being first obtained thereto, it will be requisite, before commencing the underpinning works, to obtain that consent, and this I recommend should be done.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, that the works be executed as recommended therein, at an estimated cost of £150, and that, previously to their commencement, the necessary consent be obtained from the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th May, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts, viz.—

The partial reconstruction of six gullies, and other small works required to be done previous to the contemplated repaving of Holborn, from Gray's Inn Road to Newton Street.	£40	0	0
Mill-lane, Tooley-street—One new side entrance, and the abolition of the existing side entrance	35	0	0
Repairs to the Penstock House in High-street Deptford ..	55	0	0
Total ..	£130	0	0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account.

18. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S. W.,
4th May, 1870.

On letter from the Contractors of the Metropolitan District Railway, requesting permission to connect with the Board's Sewers two 9-inch drain pipes from the Offices of the Charing Cross Station.

Instead of the drains being laid and connected with the sewers as shown by the dotted blue lines upon the tracing submitted, I recommend that the Board should require the drain on the river side of the station to be laid and connected with the Low Level Sewer, as shown by the dotted red lines from A to B, and the one on the land side to be connected with the smaller sewer at the point D. Both connections to be made to the satisfaction of the Board's officers, and at the sole cost of the applicants.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

19. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Standing Orders Committee had, on Tuesday last, reported, as to the Bill relative to the Water Supply in the Metropolis on Sundays, that the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

20. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Thames Embankment, North, Viaduct Roadway Bill had been read a third time and passed in the House of Commons, and that it had also been read a first time in the House of Lords, and referred to the Examiner; and that the Metropolitan Tramway Bills stood for second reading this day.

21. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting a copy of the Report and evidence taken on the Tramways Bill introduced by the Government, and a copy of the Bill, as amended by the Select Committee, together with a copy of the notice on the votes by Mr. Sclater-Booth, and stating that the Bill stood re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for this evening, and that there were some important points to which he would call the attention of the Parliamentary Committee this day.

22. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Committee on the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill stood deferred until this day; and that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill, as amended, would also be considered this day.

23. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Committee on the Thames Navigation Bill were still proceeding with the case of the watermen, &c., of the river Thames, and would not take the part of the Bill which related to the Board before Monday next; and further that the Board's petition against the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill had been sealed at the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee yesterday, and was subsequently deposited at the House of Lords.

24. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Committee on the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill stood deferred until Monday next.

25. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the following notice of motion had been given by Mr. Knatchbull-Hugessen, and stood for to-day, viz.—"Commons Inclosure Bill to "amend the laws relating to inclosure of Commons."

26. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the second reading of the Suburban Commons Bill and the consideration of Mr. Lowther's notice with respect to the Bill stood for the 11th instant.

27. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting the "Gazette" copy of a Parliamentary notice, relating to the Kensington-road Improvement.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

28. Read a Report by the Solicitor submitting the following documents for sealing, viz.—

Leases from the Board to Mr. Thomas Hussey of Plots 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, and 45, in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

License, in duplicate, from the Crown authorising the Board to use part of Hamilton-place Gardens for the purposes of the Park Lane Improvement.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said leases and license and duplicate respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting a further letter from Mr. Crombie, Law Clerk to the London and South Western Railway, dated 2nd May, 1870, relative to the fence erected by that Company in front of cottages at Heathfield, Wandsworth Common, stating that the Company's Engineer would, with a view of avoiding litigation, remove the fence, but upon the understanding that such removal would not prejudice the Company's right to retain possession and control over the land inclosed by the fence.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to petitions, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting of the Board.

31. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Colls and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay windows and an open porch in front of the house, No. 85, Asylum-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that ground glass be placed in each of the windows on the side next the adjoining house, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

32. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. H. Heath, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 4, Neckinger-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

33. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alfred Bridger, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 1B, Lark-row, Prospect-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed building be erected in strict conformity with the requirements of the Building Act, and that, in other respects, it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

34. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Faulkner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the forecourts of four houses situate at the corner of Abbey-road and Belgrave-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop front in Abbey-road be extended only so far as to range with the shops situate on the opposite side of Belgrave-road; that the shops in Belgrave-road be kept back twelve feet from the present kerb; that the vacant ground in front of the shops be paved at the expense of the applicant, and be added to the public footway previously to the commencement of building operations, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. G. B. and W. T. Gates, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for eight houses and shops in High-road, Lee, at the corner of an old road nearly opposite to Turner-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the old road be increased to twenty feet throughout, measured from its present centre line; that such centre line be determined by the width of the present road between the Lodge and the opposite boundary wall, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Henry Rule, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to a smith's shop at No. 1, Robert-street, Millwall, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Christopher Eales, on behalf of the Rev. J. W. Reeve, for the consent of the Board to the extension of the west front of Portman Chapel, Baker-street, and to a new line of kerb and iron railing, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Power, on behalf of Mr. Randall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron pent-house, or verandah, in front of the ground floor of the shop, No. 2, Henry-street, Portland Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the erection be supported by iron cantilevers, instead of columns as proposed; that the work be constructed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

39. St. Olave, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. H. Gough, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a warehouse in Melior-street to the same line of frontage as six houses and outbuildings about to be pulled down, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

40. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. J. Hill, on behalf of Mr. Frost, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at the premises, No. 18, Cheshire-street, Hare-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

41. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th April, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Chandler and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a circular wrought iron furnace flue at the Wiltshire Brewery, No. 505, Hackney-road.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

42. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Leake, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of the top storey of a leather dressing factory in William-street, Neate-street, to an additional height of five feet.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the work be constructed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

43. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. O. R. Fabian, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at Upper] Free Trade Wharf, No. 83, Upper Thames-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

44. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the amended application of Mr. W. H. Ashton, for approval by the Board of an iron and wood roof, constructed by him in the grounds of the Gloucester Hotel, at the corner of King-street and Silver-street, as shown upon the Drawing accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted.

45. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Burton, for the permission of the Board to retain a corrugated zinc front to a stable recently erected at Oak Cottage, Devonshire-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

46. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Armstrong, on behalf of Messrs. Lucas Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open wooden shed at Grove-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shed be removed at the expiration of six calender months from this date.

47. Strand.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. M. Macey, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of a chimney shaft at the "*Illustrated London News*" office, 9, Milford-lane, Strand, an additional height of ten feet.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted, on condition that the present structure be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, sound and fit to receive the addition proposed, and that the work be executed to his entire satisfaction.

48. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. James May, for the permission of the Board to retain a workshop building recently erected at the premises No. 2A, Hollywood-road, Fulham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

49. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. H. Gorrum, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a wooden pediment to the cornice at Lewisham House, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

50. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Dunsmore and Knight, for the permission of the Board to retain a conservatory recently erected in the rear of the house, No. 1, College-hill, College-park Estate, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

51. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Broad, for the permission of the Board to retain an open shed recently erected by him at the premises, No. 105, Crampton-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

52. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Wilton, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a portable photographic studio at the side of the house known as Laurel-bank, High-road, Lee, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

53. St. George-in-the-East.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. James W. Butler, on behalf of Mr. H. Harrison, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open cart shed at the premises, No. 24, Great Hermitage-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the wooden storey posts of the shed be replaced by iron columns supported upon brick and stone bases.

54. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870 on the application of Mr. J. Beasley Burney, on behalf of the City Steamboat Company, requesting the Board to re-consider their decision of the 4th March last (No. 58), refusing to sanction the construction of three open sheds at the Company's premises, The Folly, Battersea-bridge, and requesting the Board to permit the sheds to remain on condition that the wooden posts be cased with iron.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

55. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beck and Lee, on behalf of the Improved Industrial Dwellings Company, Limited, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three new streets on the east side of Wilmott-street, and of the names "Finnis-street," "Corfield-street," and "Ainsley-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that Three Colt-lane be widened to 20 feet, measured from the centre of the existing road.

56. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th April, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Reid, on behalf of the Trustees of the late Mr. William Wilson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two approach roads in continuation of Halliday-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

57. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, stating, with reference to the application of Mr. Lowther for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of Seagrave-road, that the applicant had withdrawn his application, and would submit an amended Plan.

58. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. G. Harris, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pair of semi-detached houses on the north side of South-crescent, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

59. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. D. Lown, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of roads to lead out of Pembroke-street, and of the names "Freeling-street" and "Gifford-street" for the proposed continuations, and "Cardale-street" for the footway between the roads.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

60. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. R. A. Hill, on behalf of the Trustees of the Estate of the late Mr. G. Peabody, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road in continuation of Shepherd's-lane, Brixton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

61. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. F. Meakin, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of new roads, on the west side of Wandsworth-road; also for the erection of a shop in Wandsworth-road, and of the names "Pentland-street" and "Conroy-street," for the new streets.

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the formation of the roads and the names for the same be granted, on condition that the proposed 20 feet roadway be widened to 40 feet; and that the consideration of the application so far as it relates to the erection of the shop be deferred for further consideration.

62. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Jarvis and Son, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new roads upon the Walworth Common Estate, and of the names "Inville-road" and "Hopwood-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

63. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. J. and J. Goodman, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Union-grove to Courland-grove, and of the name "Alford-road" for the same; and also to convert a private mews into a public roadway to connect Wandsworth-road with the new road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That so much of the application as relates to the formation and name of the new road be granted; but that the conversion of the private mews into a public roadway be not sanctioned.

64. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the application of the Fulham District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Brook-green, Hammersmith.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

65. St. George, Hanover Square.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. L. B. Pillin, for the re-numbering of the houses in Albemarle-street, Piccadilly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

66. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment, by the Board, of Fees to Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the Western Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him relative to Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

Resolved and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That Fees, amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 12 inclusive, be paid to Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, the District Surveyor, mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by him, in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

67. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. J. Alvey, requesting the Board to re-consider their Order of the 29th April last (No. 66), directing, with respect to the erection of a house and shop at the corner of Rockingham-street and Tiverton-street, that the angle of the building be taken off

as shown by a blue line on the Plan, and requesting permission to substitute a circular corner, instead of a splayed angle, to the building.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted, and that the proposed alteration in the Plan be sanctioned and approved.

68. Read a letter as follows—

Sewers' Offices, Guildhall, May 2nd, 1870.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT, WEST END OF UPPER THAMES-STREET.

DEAR SIR,—The Improvement Committee of the Commissioners of Sewers have had under consideration the passage in your letter of the 23rd February last, which refers to the above, in which you inform the Commissioners that the Board have agreed to contribute a sum of £1,250 towards the cost.

I am directed to ask that the Metropolitan Board of Works will be good enough to take this under their further consideration, for the following reasons—

The Board have by their officer placed on the piece of vacant land in question the full value which they would require to be paid for it, if sold to any party whose object was to make a profit by its use, viz., £5,250.

The Commissioners desiring to know what sum the Board would contribute in aid, if they consented to purchase the ground at this its full market value, fully expected that, under the circumstances, nothing less than half the net cost would be voted,—the more especially as the ground purchased by the Board will have the benefit of the public improvement which the Commissioners would thereby effect. But, to their surprise and regret, the Board propose to give less than one-fourth of the sum they ask for it.

The Improvement Committee ask the Board to re-consider their vote in this matter, before the Commissioners can decide whether they will feel justified in purchasing this piece of vacant ground for the purpose of widening and improving Upper Thames-street.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW, Principal Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

69. **Resolved**—That application be made to the several Insurance Companies for a Return, pursuant to Section 15 of the Fire Brigade Act, showing the gross amount insured by them in respect of Property in the Metropolis for the year 1869.

70. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. C. Rawson, General Manager of the Native Guano Company (Limited), dated 5th May, 1870, stating that the works of the Company, on the "A. B. C." process, were now in full operation at Hastings; that they would be glad to hear that a Chemical Committee had been appointed to visit and take charge of them on the terms offered in his letter of the 4th April last, with a view to testing the process, and that the Company would be glad to have the Committee at Leamington, instead of at Hastings, if the Board preferred it, and inviting the Board to visit the works of the Company at either of those places.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous reference on the same subject.

71. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. C. L. Eastlake, Assistant Secretary to the Royal Institute of British Architects, dated 4th May 1870, stating that the Institute had granted to Mr. Thomas Blashill, Mr. Arthur Hardy, and Mr. John A. J. Woodward, certificates of competency to perform the duties of District Surveyor.

72. The Clerk presented a letter signed by Mr. W. J. Drew and Mr. George Drew, dated 5th May, 1870, and a letter from Mr. R. Cocks, dated 6th May, 1870, complaining of the delay of the Vestry of Kensington in carrying out the Order of the Board with reference to affixing the name "Stanley Hill" to that place and asking the Board to communicate with the Vestry on the subject.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which they relate.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 13th instant, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 18.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **13th** day of **May**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Runtz, Esq.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Thomas John White, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.		Henry Bidgood, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.		Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.		
John Savage, Esq.		
Thomas Turner, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 6th instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation, introduced by Mr. Roche, from the Vestry of Paddington, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.:—Mr. Wilson and Mr. Greatorex, Churchwardens; Messrs. Brettingham, Hall, Evans, Roberts, Urquhart, Glazier, Marsh, Taylor and Richardson, Vestrymen; Mr. Dethridge, Clerk, and Mr. G. F. Stevens, Surveyor to the Vestry, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the Parish of Paddington,

Sheweth—

That your Memorialists are anxious to effect a public improvement in the Harrow-road and Edgware-road, by causing the same to be widened in the manner shown upon the accompanying Plans.

That your Memorialists submit that the improvement in question is urgently needed for facilitating the public traffic; the present carriage-way of the Harrow-road being in fact only 19 feet 9 inches in width, and that of the Edgware-road, at its junction with the Harrow-road, being only 27 feet 5 inches.

That a representation was made some time since to the First Commissioner of Police upon the subject of the traffic passing through the Harrow-road; and, from a return furnished to your Memorialists by the Police authorities, it was found that 25,640 pedestrians, and 4,940 light and heavy vehicles passed and re-passed the north end of the thoroughfare in question, during a period of twenty-four hours,

That the Members of your Honourable Board are well aware that the Vestry of Paddington has contributed largely towards other Metropolitan improvements, but as yet they have made no application to your Honourable Board on behalf of any improvement such as the one now contemplated (except in the case of the re-construction of a Bridge over the Grand Junction Canal at Westbourne-green.)

That accidents are constantly occurring in consequence of the large andincreasing traffic being forced to pass through the very narrow gorge of this part of the Harrow-road.

Your Memorialists submit that the proposed improvemement is essentially of a Metropolitan character, and that the cost thereof should be defrayed out of the general rates of the Metropolis, in a similar way to the improvements at Whitechapel and Kensington.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Board will take the above-mentioned facts into your favourable consideration.

The Common Seal of the Vestry affixed by order, May 3rd, 1870.

(Signed) FRANK DETHRIDGE, Vestry Clerk. L. S.

The Deputation were heard, and handed in Plans and an Estimate of the cost of the improvement.

A Deputation, introduced by Mr. Roche, from the ratepayers of the Parish of Paddington, consisting of the following gentlemen—viz.:—Messrs. Seton, J. W. Oram, Edward Roberts, Saml. Richardson, Edwd. Clarke, Richd. Hall, Nicholas Hall, H. D. Clarke, J. J. Thomas, Revd. J. Burns, D.D., Edwd. Eyton Marsh, Frank Becket, William Naylor, John B. Bennet, R. F. Brettingham, Alex. Saunders, R. B. Hann, F. Taylor, S. J. Hampett, William Gadsby, Willm. Jas. Smith, G. Taylor, John H. Adams, John Roker, Richard Cross, James Packer, Charles Jas. Cushen, Henry Davey, R. Metcalfe, Jno. Wilson, Rev. H. C. Davies, Walter H. Glazier, William Ellis, George Gutch, Frank Dethridge, Vestry Clerk, R. C. Greatorex, Churchwarden, Charles Braid, R. H. Bristow Macmullen, W. Urquhart, Wm. Dickinson, Edwd. Collins, Robt. Hammond, J. P. Anderson, J. Quinton, W. Death, Robert Evans, and George F. Stevens, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Honourable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Sir, and Gentlemen,—We, the ratepayers and inhabitants of the parish of Paddington, appear before your Honourable Board to corroborate and support our Vestry in the Petition that they have this morning presented to your Honourable Board, praying you to undertake the great and essential improvement of widening the Harrow and Edgware-roads.

Your Memorialists, many of whom are residents in the Harrow-road and its immediate vicinity, can testify from personal experience to the fact, that the lives of pedestrians and equestrians are often jeopardised owing to the inadequacy of the Harrow-road to accommodate the enormous and rapidly increasing traffic of every description that daily struggles through this narrow and isthmus-like thoroughfare, and when it is remembered that the Harrow-road is the sole artery that connects the important suburbs of Westbournia, Notting-hill, Hammersmith, &c., with the central portion of the Metropolis, some idea can be formed of the traffic that is daily passing through this narrow gorge of from 19 feet to 28 feet wide.

Your Memorialists are not unmindful of the many great undertakings that your Honourable Board have so ably and successfully carried out, and which are not only productive of great sanitary results, but have embellished and ornamented the Metropolis to a surprising extent; notably amongst these we may mention "The Thames Embankment," "The Main Drainage Scheme," and "The Holborn Valley Improvement," and all of which will remain to remind future generations of what can be accomplished by local self-government, combined with ability, ardour, and perseverance. Your Memorialists feel that your Honourable Board will accord to the Harrow-road improvement that grave consideration it deserves as a public Metropolitan improvement of no ordinary character.

Your Memorialists would call the attention of your Honourable Board to the fact that the property in the rear of the Harrow-road is of an exceedingly low and poor character, part of it has already been condemned by the Medical Officer of Health, and the remainder must very shortly be either rebuilt or removed; the whole of this cottage property is totally inadequate, considering the value of the lands upon which it stands, and indeed the majority of the houses facing the Harrow and Edgware-roads are also of a very inferior character, and quite unworthy of the land which they occupy, and upon which houses of a much superior *status* should be erected.

Your Memorialists might have come before your Honourable Board with some reluctance had the parish of Paddington received large grants from the Metropolitan General Fund for local improvements; but, as on the other hand, they have paid during the past 10 years upwards of £60,000 towards the General Fund and received back but a few hundred pounds, they consider that they can with some degree of confidence ask that the Harrow-road Improvement shall be placed upon the same footing as the improvements that your Honourable Board have effected in Whitechapel, and more recently in Kensington.

In conclusion we beg respectfully to urge upon the Members of your Honourable Board the numerous claims that this improvement has in every sense upon your favourable consideration.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) R. B. HANN, CROSS, & CO.,
144, Paddington-Green,
And 62 others.

The Deputation having been heard,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the Memorial from the Vestry of Paddington, together with the plans and estimate handed in by the Deputation, and also the Memorial from the ratepayers of the parish be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. A Deputation, introduced by Mr. Shaw, consisting of the following gentlemen—viz., Messrs. John P. Snowdon, Thomas Rumball, George R. Snowdon, John C. Bowser, and J. M. Stubbs attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

GENTLEMEN—Another application having been made to your Honourable Board for permission to erect five shops on the north side of the Queen's-road, St. John's-wood, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, and such buildings it is proposed to bring out and erect some twelve feet beyond the building line, the same having been recently defined and marked out by your Board. We, whose signatures are here attached, being owners or occupiers of property in the immediate locality, view this application with much alarm, and once again ask your Honourable Board to maintain intact the line you have now drawn. The fact that a previous petition has been presented you, signed by nearly every inhabitant of the Queen's-road, will, we feel sure, have its due weight with your Honourable Board, ere you finally dispose of this matter.

By granting this application, Gentlemen, you will cede a privilege to one which cannot be obtained by any person holding upon this estate and whose property it will seriously depreciate.

We are, Gentlemen, however, in your hands, and we ask, only that justice may be done us and believing this from your Honourable Board, we beg most respectfully to remain.

Your most obedient humble Servants,

(Signed) J. P. SNOWDON, 59, Queen's Road, N.W.,
And 29 others.

St. John's Wood, N.W., May 12th, 1870.

The Deputation addressed the Board in support of the Memorial, and were informed by the Chairman that the Memorial and the application to which it referred would be considered, with the Superintending Architect's Report thereon, by the Board this day.

4. Mr. Phillips handed in the following letter—

The Board of Works for the Strand District,
5, Tavistock-street, Covent Garden, W.C.
12th May, 1870.

RAILWAY STATION AT THE BOTTOM OF NORFOLK-STREET, STRAND.

DEAR SIR,—Last evening this Board came to the following Resolution in regard to the erection of this station, and I was directed to ask you to lay the same before the Metropolitan Board of Works on the earliest opportunity—

"That this Board view with alarm the erection of a railway station at the bottom of "Norfolk-street, Strand, believing that that building will tend to obstruct the free circula- "tion of the air and deprive the public of a view of the river, to which they have hitherto "been accustomed, and they would urge on the Metropolitan Board of Works to interpose "their influence to prevent or stop the said erection, or take such other steps as they may "see fit to reduce the height of such building."

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS, Clerk to the Board.

J. S. Phillips, Esq.,
5, Bishop's Court, Chancery-lane.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the said communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee whether or not the Company, in erecting the building, have exceeded the height allowed for the same, and, if so, to what extent.

5. Read a letter as follows—

Guildhall, 12th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am requested by the Law, Parliamentary, and City Courts Committee of the Corporation to ask if the Metropolitan Board of Works will allow that Committee to put up, at the expense of the Corporation, erections in Queen Victoria-street, similar to those proposed to be placed there by the Metropolitan District Railway Company. The object is to show how the new street will be injured if the railway be made there.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) WILLIAM CORRIE.

J. Pollard, Esq.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—That the request be complied with.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Meaden—That the erection referred to be put up by the Board and at their expense.

The amendment having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

6. Read a letter as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, Vestry Hall, King's-road, S.W.,
12th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR—About two years ago your Board sanctioned the execution of the sewers upon the Ashburnham Estate in this Parish, without having previously, as it now appears, approved the levels and formation of the roads, and seen that the proposed streets had names. The sewers having been completed, houses are now being built upon the Estate, and there is much difficulty in describing their situation for the purpose of identification.

I am directed to beg that the Board will give instructions that the necessary steps may be taken to enforce the law.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Read a letter as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, Vestry Hall, King's Road, S.W.
12th May, 1870.

THAMES EMBANKMENT (CHELSEA) Act, 1868.

Nos. 28a, and 40a, on Plan, &c.

DEAR SIR- The Vestry have had before them your notice, dated the 7th instant (received the 9th), to treat in this matter, and have determined to make no claims either in respect to Duke and

Lombard-streets or the urinal. In respect to the latter subject, the Vestry have full confidence that the public wants will be provided for in the new works by your Board.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE, Vestry Clerk.

Jno. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for their consideration in connection with the subject of the Improvement to which it relates.

8. The Board considered further the Report of the Finance Committee, adjourned on Friday last, (No. 2), recommending—

"That a cheque for £600 be drawn in favour of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, being the amount agreed to be contributed by this Board towards the cost of an improvement effected by the District Board, by the widening of the bridges over the South Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth."

Read a Report as follows, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 6th instant (No. 2).

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
12th May, 1870.

WANDSWORTH DISTRICT.—RAILWAY BRIDGES.

With reference to the resolution of the Board of Friday last, directing me to inspect and report upon the present condition of the two bridges carrying the roadway over the South-Western and Crystal Palace Lines at New Wandsworth, and towards the cost of widening which the Board have agreed to contribute £600, I beg to state that the work in connection with the bridge over the Crystal Palace Line was executed by the District Board, and is complete in every respect, The works of the bridge over the South-Western Line were carried out by the Company, they were complete in every essential respect some time prior to the date of my certificate, the 21st ultimo; the strutting to which reference has been made being merely used as an additional security, during their progress, to the works at the southern abutment.

From a later inspection there is no reason to fear the substantial soundness of the work, and I recommend that the promised contribution be paid to the District Board.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Meaden—That a cheque for £600 be drawn in favour of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, being the amount agreed to be contributed by this Board towards the cost of an improvement effected by the District Board, by the widening of the bridges over the South Western and Crystal Palace lines at New Wandsworth; and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

9. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 9th May, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the under-mentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Finsbury Park.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Goldsworthy, T.—		
Three years' Modus, in lieu of Tithes		6 0 0
Kensington Improvement.		
Re Hughes—		
Pontifex, J. and M.—Costs of Title and Conveyance		40 0 0
Stingo Lane Improvement.		
Re Brown's Trustees—		
Court of Chancery—Purchase-money, Freehold houses in Marylebone-road, Stingo-lane, Walmer-place, and Walmer-street, as per Award	10,400 0 0	
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty on Deed Poll	54 10 0	
Carried forward ..	£10,454 10 0	46 0 0

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..			10,454 10 0	46 0 0
Re Dare—					
Roberts, R. W.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..				7 7 0	
Panchaud, T.—for Brown's Trustees—					
Re Roberts—Half-year's Ground Rent of Nos. 15, 16, and 17, Stingo-lane, to Lady-day, 1870	£7 10 0				
less Tax	0 3 1				
		7 6 11			
Re Gosden — One Quarter's Ground Rent of Nos. 11, 12, and 13, Stingo-lane, to Lady-day, 1870 ..	£3 15 0				
less Tax	0 1 7				
		3 13 5			
				11 0 4	
					10,472 17 4
Thames Embankment, North.					
White, Borrett, and Co.—					
Interest on Compensation and Costs, Nos. 10 and 11, Whitehall-place				..	15 0 0
Southern Embankment.					
Ryde, Edward—					
Surveyor's Charges on behalf of the Board—					
Re Doulton				84 0 0	
„ Stiff				84 0 0	
					168 0 0
Mansion House Street.					
Re Foster—					
Wansey and Bowen—Taxed Costs, under Order of 3rd December, 1869				43 7 6	
Re College of Advocates—					
Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, per T. Hall, Receiver—Half-year's Annuity, due Lady-day, 1870	£52 10 0				
less Tax	1 1 11				
		51 8 1			
Acquitance		0 2 8			
				51 10 9	
Re Brandram and Clare—					
The Parish of All Saints, Dorset, per J. J. Besant, Churchwarden—One year's rent-charge on Nos. 1 to 5, Sise-lane, due Lady-day, 1870		£4 0 0			
less Tax (3 years)		0 5 0			
				3 15 0	
					98 13 3
					£10,800 10 7

In accordance with the reference by the Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 2), your Committee have considered the Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, on the subject of the proposed additional storm outlet in Deptford Creek. The Memorialists refer to the strong objections entertained and previously expressed by them to the scheme contemplated by the Board, and state that they have been in communication with Mr. Robert Rawlinson on the subject, and that, after inspecting the Plans and observing the proposed situation of the additional outlets, he was clearly of opinion "that the most proper course for the Metropolitan Board of Works to pursue is not to discharge the storm waters from the sewers into Deptford Creek by means of the proposed outlets, which he felt satisfied must prove a serious nuisance, but to construct another sewer from the Greenwich Pumping Station, to discharge into the river Thames at low water at some convenient place near the mouth of the Creek." The Memorialists, therefore, express a hope that the Board will re-consider the matter and, with due regard to the opinion of so high an authority as Mr. Rawlinson, will devise some other course to effect what is deemed to be requisite than that of adding already to the existing nuisance by the construction of additional storm outlets at Deptford Creek. As some time has elapsed since this subject was originally before the Board, it may be well to enter somewhat into detail as to the leading facts. On the 7th February, 1868, the Engineer presented to the Board a report, stating that recent floodings at Battersea had drawn attention to the necessity of providing more complete means for the discharge of storm waters on such occasions, and recommending that an additional storm overflow should be constructed at the Deptford Pumping Station, at an estimated cost of £7,500. This report was referred to your Committee for consideration, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they might arrive with reference to the subject. On the 9th March, 1868, your Committee instructed the Engineer, before proceeding further with the Plan, to consider whether relief could not be afforded at Crossness, and at what cost; and, on the 16th March, he reported that he considered Deptford Creek the best position for the overflow above recommended; that it might, however, be carried into the Thames by enlarging the Billingsgate Dock outlet, and forming a connecting line of sewer from the outfall along Church-street, at a cost of £15,000; but that, below this point, a storm overflow would not be available without providing additional pumping power at a cost of about £30,000; and he added that, in consequence of the number of junctions which had been formed with the outfall sewer for improving the Greenwich drainage, it had frequently been necessary to divert the sewage into the Creek to enable the men to cleanse the outfall sewer, an evil which no additional pumping power at Crossness would meet. Your Committee adjourned the consideration of the matter in order that they might view the Creek, which they subsequently did, and, on the 6th April, 1868, they instructed the Engineer to complete his drawings, showing what he proposed to add in order to meet the objection of the Greenwich District Board to the overflow into the Creek. The amended Plans were submitted to the Committee, on the 4th May, and were referred to a Sub-Committee, who, on the 19th October, 1868, reported that it appeared to them undesirable to discharge any sewage from the Pumping Station into Deptford Creek, and suggested that the Engineer should report whether it would not be possible to construct such a culvert as would convey the sewage, in cases of necessity, from the Pumping Station into the Thames direct, instead of into Deptford Creek. This report was approved by the Committee, and, on the 8th February, 1869, the Engineer reported to them that this object might be attained either by constructing about 2,800 feet of 6′ 0″ × 5′ 0″ culvert from the Pumping Station along Ravensbourne-street, Norway-street, and parts of Thames-street and Horseferry-road to an existing penstock chamber, at a cost of £14,000, or by constructing the 1,100 feet of 8′ 6″ × 8′ 6″ culvert from the outfall sewer along Church-street to Billingsgate Dock, referred to in his previous report, at an estimated cost of £15,000, but that neither of these Plans would give a capacity for discharge equal to that of the original Plan; that the outlets in both cases would be nearer a dense population; that the cost of each would be double that of the original, and the works on the foreshore more expensive to maintain, and that for these several reasons he could not recommend the adoption of either Plan. The matter was again referred to the Sub-Committee, for further consideration, and instructions were given to the Engineer by them to submit some further alternative Plans. Pending the preparation of these Plans, the matter remained some time

in abeyance, but in the result the Engineer reported to the Sub-Committee that it would be difficult to suggest any other plan which could be recommended as likely to accomplish the desired object; that after careful consideration, and with every desire to meet the views of those who were opposed to the pumping into Deptford Creek in cases of accident or heavy storms, he was still of opinion that, as each plan which had been suggested as an alternative was so inferior to the one first proposed, this latter was the only one that could be recommended as affording adequate relief. Your Committee having carefully considered the report of the Sub-Committee, and having regard to the very decided opinion entertained by the Engineer, concurred in the views expressed by that officer, and decided to adhere to the original plan, namely, the construction of an additional outlet at an estimated cost of £7,500. Your Committee have carefully considered the representations contained in the Memorial, but they see no reason to alter the decision at which they have already arrived, and they recommend that a communication to that effect be addressed to the District Board.

Your Committee have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo (No. 18), referring to them the portion of the Report of the Building Act Committee, considered on that day, relative to the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, and future vacancies in District Surveyorships. The recommendation of the Building Act Committee: that "all District Surveyorships becoming vacant in future, be offered in "the first instance to District Surveyors who may desire to be translated from their Districts, "and that vacancies be publicly advertised, only when no District Surveyor desires to be "transferred to the vacant District," has engaged the attention of your Committee, but they are not yet prepared to report their views on the question. With regard to the present vacancy your Committee consider that as the District of St. Margaret is a small one, there would be no advantage in keeping it open until the general principle which is to guide the Board in future elections is decided on, and your Committee, therefore, recommend the Board to proceed to the election in the ordinary way. The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of adding to the condition upon which District Surveyors are appointed a provision with reference to any future alteration of Districts and they beg to recommend—

> That in all future elections of District Surveyors, the following words be added to the usual Order passed by the Board, directing that the appointment of District Surveyor shall be subject to the condition that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of fees by the Board or from any change of system which may be adopted either as to the office, its duties, or emoluments, —namely, "or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of districts."

Your Committee have directed their attention to the desirability of fixing a limit of age in the case of the appointment of District Surveyors, and they recommend that no candidate shall in future be eligible who shall not have attained the age of 28, or shall be above 50.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the applications from candidates for the appointments of Gas Examiner at the Testing-houses at Chelsea, Camden Town, Dalston, and Peckham, to test the gas supplied by the Imperial and South Metropolitan Gas Companies, respectively, referred by the Board on the 29th ultimo, (No. 3), with authority to the Committee to examine the candidates and their testimonials, and submit to the Board the names of not less than two for each appointment, with a view to the selection by the Board of one for each appointment. Your Committee have been unable in every case to comply literally with the terms of the reference, and to submit two names for each appointment, inasmuch as some of the candidates appeared, from the nature of their qualifications and previous employment, quite unsuited to discharge the duties of Gas Examiner. All the candidates, with one exception, have attended and been personally questioned by your Committee, and, in the result, your Committee have selected the following, whose names they beg to submit with a view to the selection by the Board of one for each appointment—

Chelsea	Mr. W. C. Young.
Camden Town	Mr. Robert Grimwood, Mr. Mostyn J. Salter.
Dalston	Mr. James Craik.
Peckham	Mr. James John Day, Mr. George M. Wood.

In compliance with your resolution of the 6th instant, (No. 3), your Committee have again considered the question of the formation of the roadway in Shepherdess-walk, in completion of the improvement there carried out by the Board. Your Committee in their former report recommended that advertisements should be issued inviting tenders for the formation, in macadam, of the new road, but they have since ascertained that the Vestry of Shoreditch would be prepared to pave the roadway with granite cubes 3″ × 7″ on payment to them by the Board of £2,500, the amount of the Engineer's estimate for the formation of the roadway in macadam. Your Committee consider that course would be advantageous, and they recommend—

> That upon the Vestry of Shoreditch paving, to the satisfaction of the Board and under the direction of their Officers, the new roadway in Shepherdess Walk with granite cubes 3″ × 7″, the Board do pay to the Vestry the sum of £2,500, being the amount of the Engineer's estimate for the formation of the roadway in macadam, such sum to be paid on a certificate by the Engineer of this Board of the completion of the work.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
P. H. LE BRETON,
C. H. ELT,
JOHN SAVAGE,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, on the subject of the proposed additional storm outlet in Deptford Creek, be approved, and that a communication in accordance therewith be addressed to the District Board.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Newton, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until this day fortnight, and that in the meantime that portion of the Report of the Committee, together with the Reports made by the Engineer on the subject, be printed and and circulated among the Members of the Board.

The motion having been, by leave of the Board, withdrawn,

The amendment was put as an original motion, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the Board do proceed to the election of a District Surveyor for the District of St. Margaret, Westminster, in the ordinary way, and that advertisements be issued inviting Candidates for the appointment.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That in all future elections of District Surveyors, the following words, "or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of districts," be added to the usual Order passed by the Board, directing that the appointment of District Surveyor shall be subject to the condition that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of fees by the Board or from any change of system which may be adopted either as to the office, its duties, or emoluments.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That in future no Candidate be eligible for appointment as a District Surveyor who shall not have attained the age of 28, or shall be above 50.

Read a letter from Mr. J. J. Day, dated 12th May, 1870, stating that he could not accept the appointment of Gas Examiner at the Peckham Station, inasmuch as the locality was too far distant from his place of employment and from his residence.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That Mr. W. C. Young be appointed Gas Examiner, under the provisions of the Imperial Gas Act, 1869, at the testing place fixed by the Gas Referees in Oakley-square, Chelsea; that the testings be made in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and with such instructions as may be

from time to time issued by the Gas Referees; that Mr. Young's salary be £80 a year, to commence from the date of his entering on his duties; that he be required to discharge the duties of his office personally; that he be subject to such control and supervision, as to the testings to be made and the duties to be discharged, as the Board may from time to time direct; that his appointment do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to any alteration either by Parliament or otherwise, and that he be not entitled to compensation in the event of the abolition or change of his office.

Mr. Young was then called, and informed of the foregoing Resolution, and he stated that he would discharge the duties of his office personally.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded by Mr. Healey—That Mr. Robert Grimwood be appointed Gas Examiner, under the provisions of the Imperial Gas Act, 1869, at the testing place fixed by the Gas Referees in Camden-street, Camden Town; that the testings be made in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and with such instructions as may be from time to time issued by the Gas Referees; that Mr. Grimwood's salary be £80 a year, to commence from the date of his entering on his duties; that he be required to discharge the duties of his office personally; that he be subject to such control and supervision, as to the testings to be made and the duties to be discharged, as the Board may from time to time direct; that his appointment do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to any alterations either by Parliament or otherwise, and that he be not entitled to compensation in the event of the abolition or change of his office.

Mr. Grimwood was then called and informed of the above Resolution, and he stated that he would discharge the duties of his office personally.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That Mr. James Craik be appointed Gas Examiner, under the provisions of the Imperial Gas Act, 1869, at the testing place fixed by the Gas Referees in Graham-street, Dalston; that the testings be made in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and with such instructions as may be from time to time issued by the Gas Referees; that Mr. Craik's salary be £80 a year, to commence from the date of his entering on his duties; that he be required to discharge the duties of his office personally; that he be subject to such control and supervision, as to the testings to be made and the duties to be discharged, as the Board may from time to time direct; that his appointment do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to any alteration either by Parliament or otherwise, and that he be not entitled to compensation in the event of the abolition or change of his office.

Mr. Craik was then called and informed of the above Resolution, and he stated that he would discharge the duties of his office personally.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the question of the appointment of a Gas Examiner for the Peckham Station be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Hows—That upon the Vestry of Shoreditch paving, to the satisfaction of the Board, and under the direction of their Officers, the new roadway in Shepherdess-walk with granite cubes 3″ × 7″, the Board do pay to the Vestry the sum of £2,500, being the amount of the Engineer's estimate for the formation of the roadway in macadam, such sum to be paid on a certificate by the Engineer of this Board of the completion of the work.

10. Mr. Savage, in the absence of Mr. Saunders, the Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 10th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Fourth-Class Firemen Charles Bradley, Henry Beale, Charles Errickson, John Booth, Robert Brien, James Shaw, Isaac Littlefield, William Blendell, John Sole, and John Brown, have tendered their resignations, and to recommend that they be accepted.

Your Committee have also to recommend the appointment of Henry Reay, George Smith, Daniel Bellamy, Thomas J. Irons, and Frederick Blake in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, to fill vacancies.

The retirement of Frederick Brown has caused a vacancy in the rank of Second-Class Firemen, to fill which, your Committee recommend that Third-Class Fireman Adam Blair be promoted to the Second-Class.

Your Committee have further to report that the Chief Officer having represented to them the necessity of having some premises near the Watling Street Station, wherein to drill the new men with the Fire Escapes, they have authorised him to take some old building temporarily for the purpose, at a cost not exceeding £1 a week.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL,
E. J. THOMPSON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the resignations of Charles Bradley, Henry Beale, Charles Errickson, John Booth, Robert Brien, James Shaw, Isaac Littlefield, William Blendell, John Sole, and John Brown, Fourth Class Firemen, be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That Henry Reay, George Smith, Daniel Bellamy, Thomas J. Irons, and Frederick Blake, be appointed in the Fourth Class Firemen.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That Third Class Fireman Adam Blair be promoted to the Second Class of Firemen in the place of Frederick Brown resigned.

11. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 3rd May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, viz.—

DATE OF REFERENCE.	APPLICATION.
25th March, 1870, (No. 57.)	Memorial from residents, &c., in Park-road, Stoke Newington, objecting to the re-naming of that thoroughfare "Clissold-road," and requesting that it may be called "Glebe-road."
25th February, 1870, (No. 73.)	Memorial from residents in Hamilton-road, Lower Norwood, praying the Board to order certain streets in that road to be named separately.
4th February, 1870, (No. 33.)	Wandsworth District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Grant-road, Battersea.
21st February, 1868, (No. 28.)	Saint Saviour's District Board, for the re-naming and re-numbering of certain streets in their district.
9th July, 1869, (No. 65.)	Vestry of Saint George-in-the-East, for the re-numbering of the houses in certain streets, &c., in that Parish.
8th October, 1869, (No. 53.)	Vestry of Chelsea, for the re-numbering of the houses in New-road and Little Cadogan-place.
3rd December, 1869, (No. 71.)	Fulham District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Maxwell-road, Fulham.
18th March, 1870, (No. 44.)	Mr. John R. Clayton, for the re-naming of Victoria-road, Finchley-road.
22nd April, 1870, (No. 59.)	Lord Mahon, for the incorporation of Hopkins-row with James-street, Westminster.
22nd April, 1870, (No. 57.)	Mr. Godwin for the incorporation of Halkin-terrace with Lowndes-street.

Your Committee have received reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected Plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations

which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the Order of the Board of the 11th February, 1870, (No. 8), for re-naming Park-road, Stoke Newington, "Clissold-road," be not interfered with.

That the names Hamilton-road, Clive-road, Dalhousie-road, Carnac-street, and Paxton-lane, be given to the several roads known as Hamilton-road, Lower Norwood, as shown upon the Plan prepared by the Superintending Architect.

That the houses in Grant-road, Battersea, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Counter-street, Borough, be incorporated with Stoney-street, and that the whole of the thoroughfare extending from the north side of Southwark-street to Clink-street be called by the latter name, and the houses re-numbered.

That Church-street, Southwark, be incorporated with York-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That Barge-house-street be incorporated with Upper Ground-street, Blackfriars, and the houses re-numbered.

That Green-street be incorporated with Price's-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That no alteration be made in the names of Marlborough-street, Boundary-row, Bear-lane, Green-walk and Little Charlotte-street, Southwark, nor in the numbering of the houses therein.

That the houses in John's-hill, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Church-gardens, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Lower Gun-alley, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Salter's-alley, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Lower Well-alley, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Meeting House-alley, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Anchor and Hope-alley, St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered.

That New-road, Chelsea, be re-named Pavilion-road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the houses in Little Cadogan-place, Chelsea, be re-numbered.

That the houses in Maxwell-road, Moore Park, Fulham, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That Victoria-road, Finchley-road, be re-named "Broomfield-road," and the houses re-numbered.

That Hopkins-row be incorporated with James-street, Westminster, and the houses re-numbered.

That Halkin-terrace be incorporated with Lowndes-street, in the manner shown on the plan prepared by the Superintending Architect.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
P. H. LE BRETON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the Order of the Board of the 11th February, 1870, (No. 8), for re-naming Park-road, Stoke Newington, "Clissold-road," be adhered to.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the names Hamilton-road, Clive-road, Dalhousie-road, Carnac-street, and Paxton-lane, be approved for, and appropriated to, the several streets at Lower Norwood, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, shown on the Plan now produced, marked 1043, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Grant-road, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1044, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 135, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 148, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Lavender-road; that the name Saint Mark's-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Grant-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Grant-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Counter-street and Stoney-street, Borough, partly in the Parish of Saint Saviour, Southwark, and the Liberty of the Clink, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 27, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1045, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the name Counter-street, and any other name or names now in use in Counter-street and Stoney-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Stoney-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Saint Saviour's District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbed, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the consideration of so much of the Report as relates to the incorporation of Church-street with York-street, and Barge House-street with Upper Ground-street, Southwark, be adjourned until Friday next.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Green-street and Price's-street, in the Parish of Christ Church, Southwark, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1046, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 51, being assigned to the houses on the south side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 18, to those on the north side; that such numbers do commence at the east end; that the name Green-street, and any other name or names now in use in Green-street and Price's-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Price's-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the St. Saviour's District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbed, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That no alteration be made in the names of Marlborough-street, Boundary-row, Bear-lane, Green-walk, and Little Charlotte-street, Southwark, or in the numbering of the houses therein.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **orderdd**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of John's Hill, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1047, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 17, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 20, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Church-gardens, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1048, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 23, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 16, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Lower Gun-alley, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1049, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 40, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Salter's-alley, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1050, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 25, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 28, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Lower Well-alley, in the Parish of Saint-George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1051, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 21, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 28, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Meeting House-alley, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1052, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 5, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 30, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Anchor and Hope-alley, in the Parish of Saint George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1053, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 49, being assigned to the houses on the east side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the west side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing numbers, be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Little Cadogan-place, in the Parish of Saint Luke, Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1054, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 99, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 40, to those on the western side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the existing

numbers be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Chelsea, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of New-road, in the Parish of Saint Luke, Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1055, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 261, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 226, to those on the western side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the names New-road, Alfred-place, Chapel-row, Taylor's-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in New-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Pavilion-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Chelsea, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Maxwell-road, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1056, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 37, being assigned to the houses on the north-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 40, to those on the south-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Moore Park-road; that the names York-terrace, Brecon-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Maxwell-road, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Maxwell-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several irregularly numbered houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Victoria-road, in the Parish of Saint John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 35 and ending with 95, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1057, in lieu of the existing irregular numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the names Victoria-road, Victoria-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Victoria-road, and the existing irregular numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Broomfield-Road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Hampstead, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the consideration of that part of the Report which relates to the incorporation of Hopkins-row with James-street, Westminster, be adjourned until Friday next.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 3rd day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Halkin-terrace, in the Parish of Saint Luke, Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, be incorporated with and numbered 27A, 28, 29, 30, and 31, Lowndes-street, as shown on the Plan now produced, marked 1058; that the name Halkin-terrace be abolished; and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Chelsea, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

12. Mr. Westerton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 11th May, 1870.

Your Committee have had before them a report by the Solicitor with reference to the enfranchisement of a small portion of waste land of the Manor of Tottenham, at the south-east corner of Finsbury Park. The terms of enfranchisement have been arranged as follows—namely, the payment of a sum of £162 10s. to the Lord of the Manor, and a similar amount to the commoners, as represented by the Parish of Tottenham. Your Committee have ascertained from the Solicitor that these parties have convinced him of their title to the waste land, and that it is necessary, in order to complete the matter, that cheques should be drawn for the respective amounts. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That two cheques for £162 10s. each be drawn on the Finsbury Park Account, in favour of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Tottenham and John Dingwall, Esq.

Your Committee have had before them a report by the Superintending Architect relative to the reservoir Works constructed by the East London Water Works Company in Finsbury Park, under the provisions of the East London Water Works (Thames supply) Act, 1867, stating the amount which, in his judgment, should be paid by the Company in respect of the easement, &c., which the Act provides they shall purchase. Your Committee beg to recommend that the Board's claim for easement, &c., amounting to £2,307, as estimated by the Superintending Architect, be sent to the Company.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of providing additional sleeping accommodation at the Superintendent's lodge in Finsbury Park. At present the sleeping rooms, two in number, are on the ground floor, and your Committee think it is absolutely necessary for the health of the occupants that an additional storey should be erected. They have had before them a plan prepared by the Superintending Architect, by which it is proposed to add another floor to the lodge, and have ascertained from him that the estimated cost amounts to £169 12s. 11d. Your Committee beg to submit the plan for your information and approval, and recommend that the necessary works be carried out, and that your Committee be authorised accordingly.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the question of providing some plants for the decoration of the parks, which, in the opinion of your Committee, is desirable. They have ascertained that the Alexandra Palace Company have for sale a number of the usual bedding plants similar to those purchased by the Board last year, which they consider might be purchased with advantage by the Board, and they beg to recommend—

That the sum of £100 be expended in the purchase of plants for the two Parks.

Your Committee have further to report that they have made arrangements for grazing sheep in Finsbury-park, and that there are at the present time in the park 140 sheep for which the Board receive 6s. per score per week. Your Committee find, however, that in order to protect the trees and shrubs it is necessary that 300 hurdles should be provided, and that they should be of a stronger and better character than those which are now in the Park, and your Committee think that, looking at the pecuniary and other advantages which will be derived from the grazing of sheep in the Park, the Board would be fully justified in incurring

the expenses of the hurdles required. With this view, your Committee recommend that 300 hurdles be provided at a cost of about 6s. each.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the system hitherto adopted for paying the wages of the Labourers in the two Parks, namely of sending a Clerk from the office of the Accountant for that purpose. It appeared to your Committee that this course involved a needless expenditure both of money and time and they considered moreover that order and discipline among the labourers would be more effectually maintained by their receiving their wages from the Superintendents. Your Committee have, therefore, given directions that for the future a cheque for the total amount of the wages together with the pay sheets should be forwarded each week by the Accountant to the Superintendents in time to enable them to pay the wages on Friday afternoons and that they should obtain the necessary receipts from each man and return the pay sheets to the Accountant in the usual way. Your Committee request the sanction of the Board to this alteration.

The Board will remember that on the 1st April last they approved the fixing of a 2-inch supply pipe from the Refreshment-room in Finsbury-park to the Lake, for the supply of water by meter. This work has now been carried out and your Committee have ascertained that the quantity of water required for filling the lake is about 2,000,000 gallons and that the rate at which the New River Company are prepared to supply it is 7d. per 1,000 gallons. The total cost of filling the lake will, therefore, be £58 6s. 8d. Your Committee having satisfied themselves that by the adoption of this course an effectual and permanent supply will be provided have given the necessary directions for that purpose and they now request your sanction to the course they have taken.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
SILAS TAYLOR,
JOHN RUNTZ.

The Plan referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That two cheques for £162 10s. 0d. each be now drawn on the Finsbury Park Account, in favour of the Guardians of the Poor of the Parish of Tottenham and John Dingwall, Esq., in respect of the purchase of waste land of the Manor of Tottenham; and cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Reservoir Works constructed by the East London Water Works Company in Finsbury Park be approved; that the Board's claim for easement, &c., as estimated by the Superintending Architect, amounting to £2,307, be sent to the Company.

It was moved by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr Thompson—That the Plan and Estimate now submitted for the erection of an additional storey to the Lodge in Finsbury Park be approved, and that the Committee be authorised to carry out the work.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Hall and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative; and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the sum of £100 be expended in the purchase of plants for Finsbury and Southwark Parks.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That 300 hurdles be provided for Finsbury Park, at a cost of 6s. each.

It was moved by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Thompson—That the course taken by the Committee with reference to the payment of the wages of the labourers in Finsbury and Southwark Parks be approved.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—18.	Against the Amendment—11.
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.,	Collinson, E., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.,	Dodd, Henry, Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.	
Newton, W., Esq.	
Richardson, G. B., Esq.	
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	
Shaw, A. N., Esq.	
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.	
Thompson, E. J., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Dalton.	Teller—Mr. Legg.

The amendment was then put as an original motion.

Whereupon an amendment was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Hows—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Mr. Dalton thereupon, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motion, and the amendment was put as an original motion, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the supply of water to the Lake in Finsbury Park, be approved.

13. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 13th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that the amendments made by the Select Committee on the Government Tramways Bill are, in substance, as follows, so far as regards the Metropolis—

1. Provisional orders to be substituted for certificates.
2. The consent of the ratepayers not to be required.
3. Local inquiries by the Referee of the Board of Trade to be at the discretion of that Board.
4. The Board of Trade, after considering objections, to have power to proceed with a provisional order, notwithstanding that certain of the local authorities refuse their consent, and to report their reasons to Parliament.
5. Clause 5 of the Bill conferring powers of sale upon promoters, to be omitted.
6. Provisional orders to specify the nature of the traffic for which the tramways are sanctioned.
7. The maximum tolls to be inserted in the provisional orders.
8. This Board to be the local authority for the Metropolis (except the City), but the consent of the Vestries and District Boards to be necessary, as road authorities, subject to the provision in Clause 4.

9. Reservation of a *locus standi* for owners and occupiers of property fronting a street through which it is proposed to construct a tramway, to appear before the Referee and afterwards before Parliament.

10. Power to local authorities to make bye-laws for regulation of traffic, and to remove tramways found injurious or disused.

Notice was given in the House of Commons by Mr. Sclater-Booth, to move that the Metropolis should be excluded from the general operation of the Bill, and that the power of this Board shall be confined to sanctioning the formation of tramways by Companies, &c. Your Committee, deeming that the amendments made by the Select Committee carried out, in effect, the views of the Board, expressed to the Secretary of the Board of Trade their approval of the Bill as altered, and their objection to Mr. Sclater-Booth's amendment, which Mr. Shaw Lefevre announced his intention to oppose. The amendment was rejected by the House, but Mr. Sclater-Booth has given notice of his intention to move it again on another stage of the measure. Your Committee have also been in communication with the Secretary of the Board of Trade as to the terms on which the private Tramway Bills now before Parliament should be allowed to proceed without opposition, and as to applying the legislation of the present session to the tramways sanctioned last year, and they are about to have a conference with the promoters of the various Bills on the subject.

The Solicitor having reported to your Committee that it was advisable to have a third Counsel to assist in the opposition to the Metropolitan Railway Bill and the Metropolitan District Railway Bill before the Committee of the House of Lords, your Committee, deeming it essential that no effort should be spared to promote the opposition, have authorised the Solicitor to instruct a third Counsel accordingly.

Your Committee, on the 22nd April last, reported that they had instructed the Solicitor, in the event of the South-Eastern Railway Company proceeding with their application for an extension of time for the construction of part of their Greenwich and Woolwich Line, to endeavour to get the extension of time limited to two years. In the Company's Bill, as it now stands before the House of Lords, there is a provision for an extension of 3 years for compulsory purchases, and 4 years for completion of works. Your Committee have directed the Solicitor to endeavour, by communication with the agents, to get this extension of time reduced, but not to incur the expense of opposing by Counsel.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the several proceedings of the Committee be approved.

14. Mr. Dresser Rogers handed in a communication by Mr. John Cooper, Inspector to the Camberwell Vestry, dated 12th May, 1870, stating the result of his investigation of complaints made of nuisance from a supposed discharge of Paraffin into the sewers in the Old Kent-road and other places in that locality, and moved—That the communication be referred to the Engineer, for report.

The motion having been seconded was put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

15. The Board, pursuant to their resolution of the 8th April last (No. 7), considered further the subject of the amounts remaining unpaid on the several Precepts for the Consolidated Rate for the year 1870.

The Clerk laid before the Board the following statement—

REPORT of Receipts in respect of the assessments made by the Metropolitan Board of Works for raising the Rate on account of the Liabilities of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and also for raising the Metropolitan Consolidated Rate, on 13th day of May, 1870, for the year 1870.

No.	Parishes, Districts, and Parts.	Paid to the Treasurer to the 12th day of May, 1870.	Unpaid on the 12th day of May, 1870.		Total unpaid on the 12th day of May, 1870.	Remarks. Will pay as under.
			Due 26th March, 1870 (In default)	Due 24th June, 1870.		
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1	City of London	22,129 11 7	..	22,129 11 7	22,129 11 7	
2	Saint Marylebone	12,125 1 6	..	12,462 10 1	12,462 10 1	
3	Saint Pancras	11,394 7 3	..	11,631 1 11	11,631 1 11	
4	Lambeth	..	7,806 1 6	10,448 10 7	18,254 12 1	(No reply.)
5	Saint George, Hanover-square	..	12,794 19 0	13,169 10 2	25,964 9 2	(No reply.)
6	Islington, Saint Mary	10,072 6 0	..	10,110 14 11	10,110 14 11	
7	Shoreditch, Saint Leonard	..	4,572 17 7	4,595 0 4	9,167 17 11	17th March.
8	Paddington	9,429 10 7	..	9,480 1 4	9,480 1 4	
9	Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green	..	2,847 0 7	3,027 0 4	5,874 0 11	(No reply.)
10	Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey	..	2,843 12 8	3,867 14 6	6,711 7 2	4th May.
11	Camberwell	3,838 11 3	..	4,980 11 9	4,980 11 9	
12	Saint James, Westminster	..	5,290 13 10	5,404 9 5	10,695 3 3	(No reply.)
13	Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell	2,726 11 10	..	2,745 10 5	2,745 10 5	
14	Chelsea	3,345 19 0	..	3,401 17 10	3,401 17 10	
15	Kensington, St. Mary Abbot	8,475 14 2	..	8,687 2 0	8,687 2 0	
16	Saint Luke, Middlesex	2,533 8 2	..	2,547 15 7	2,547 15 7	
17	Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark	1,779 16 3	..	2,451 14 7	2,451 14 7	
18	Bermondsey	2,925 0 0	..	2,514 3 1	2,514 3 1	
19	Saint George-in-the-East	204 0 6	2,107 2 1	2,107 2 1	4,214 4 2	June.
20	Saint Martin-in-the-Fields	3,108 2 0	..	3,114 3 3	3,114 3 3	
21	Hamlet of Mile End Old Town	..	2,650 17 2	2,910 0 2	5,560 17 4	(No reply.)
22	Woolwich	..	879 9 4	879 9 4	1,758 18 8	(No reply.)
23	Rotherhithe	1,279 7 1	..	1,615 6 4	1,615 6 4	
24	Saint John, Hampstead	2,458 0 2	..	2,478 19 3	2,478 19 3	
25	Whitechapel District	3,365 12 11	..	3,708 16 0	3,708 16 0	
26	Westminster ditto	..	4,747 0 4	4,862 19 2	9,609 19 6	13th May.
27	Greenwich ditto	..	3,627 1 11	4,892 7 9	8,519 9 8	(No reply.)
28	Wandsworth ditto	5,891 4 5	..	6,988 6 0	6,988 6 0	
29	Hackney ditto	5,944 9 11	..	6,284 12 8	6,284 12 8	
30	Saint Giles ditto	..	3,292 19 10	3,355 14 0	6,648 13 10	25th May.
31	Holborn ditto	2,321 16 3	..	2,389 15 9	2,389 15 9	
32	Strand ditto	3,252 14 7	..	3,262 18 2	3,262 18 2	
33	Fulham ditto	..	2,916 4 7	3,923 6 3	6,839 10 10	Longer time.
34	Limehouse ditto	..	2,807 8 6	3,022 10 11	5,829 19 5	Rates collecting.
35	Poplar ditto	..	4,981 16 2	5,010 14 10	9,992 11 0	(No reply.)
36	Saint Saviour's ditto	1,982 18 1	..	2,850 13 11	2,850 13 11	
37	Plumstead ditto	2,112 14 11	..	2,434 14 6	2,434 14 6	
38	Lewisham ditto	3,041 8 3	..	3,041 8 4	3,041 8 4	
39	Saint Olave ditto	..	1,432 8 9	1,953 18 0	3,386 6 9	Longer time.
40	The Charter House	20 1 0	..	20 4 5	20 4 5	
41	Gray's Inn	137 1 9	..	142 11 11	142 11 11	
42	The Collegiate Close of St. Peter	18 3 0	..	18 3 1	18 3 1	
43	Inner Temple	..	179 4 8	179 4 9	358 9 5	(No reply.)
44	Middle Temple	117 5 9	..	117 5 10	117 5 10	
45	Lincoln's Inn	..	159 19 7	159 19 8	319 19 3	(No reply.)
46	Staple Inn	23 5 6	..	23 5 7	23 5 7	
47	Furnival's Inn	28 11 7	..	28 11 8	28 11 8	
48	Willesden	..	..	..	..	
49	Acton	..	..	149 7 5	149 7 5	Refuse.
50	Ealing	..	..	45 15 5	45 15 5	
51	Southampton-buildings	..	..	0 7 9	0 7 9	
52	Lambeth Palace	..	..	9 8 8	9 8 8	
53	Deptford Dockyard	..	..	5 7 10	5 7 10	
54	Borough Market	2 3 0	..	..	..	
55	Chiswick	..	..	281 6 11	281 6 11	
56	Croydon	..	..	36 12 2	36 12 2	
57	Richmond	..	..	..	..	
	Total £	126,075 18 3	65,936 18 1	205,960 10 2	271,897 8 3	

13th May, 1870.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the further consideration of the subject b adjourned for a period of three weeks, and that the Clerk do address communications to the several Vestries, District Boards, &c., who have made default in payment of the first moiety of the sums named in the Consolidated Precepts issued by this Board for the year 1870, and duly served upon them, acquainting them that, having regard to the date at which the Precepts were issued, the Board have allowed a further period of three weeks from this date for payment, and that the Board at the expiration of that time will feel it to be their duty to take the necessary steps for obtaining the same if still unpaid.

The Clerk, having requested the permission of the Board, stated that a Committee appointed by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, had recently been taking evidence in connection with the subject of the levying of Rates in their parish, and that as it had come to his knowledge that one of the Board's Collectors had, in evidence given before that Committee, made a statement which he felt reflected on him (the Clerk) as an officer of the Board, he had requested the Committee to afford him an opportunity of explaining the matter to them; that his application having been acceded to he had attended a meeting of the Committee and entered into explanations on the subject; that the evidence would probably be printed and circulated, and that he had availed himself of the present opportunity of reporting the circumstance to the Board.

Read a letter as follows—

Woolwich Local Board of Health,
Office:—Town Hall, William Street,
Woolwich, S.E., 12th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Woolwich Local Board of Health to forward herewith the Certificate of the Clerk of the Peace for Kent, confirming the reduction of the County Assessment of this Parish from £89,806 to £69,400.

Amount of Precept based upon the former Assessment	£1,758	18	8
Less reduction as certified	399	13	5
Balance	£1,359	5	3

I have the pleasure of sending a cheque for a moiety of the above Balance, amounting to £679 12s. 7d.

Be good enough to acknowledge the receipt of the cheque.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ANDREW C. REED,
Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Clerk laid before the Board the certificate dated 12th April, 1870, and the cheque referred to, and reported that, in February last, previously to the Precepts being issued, the Solicitor of this Board had been in communication with the Solicitor of the Woolwich Local Board, on the subject of the intended reduction in the County Rate Assessment, and had informed him to the effect that as the reduction had not then been confirmed by the Court of Quarter Sessions, this Board could not legally adopt the reduced assessment in issuing their Precept on Woolwich for the current year.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Clerk do, under the advice of the Solicitor, send a reply to the said letter, and return the cheque, should the Solicitor consider it advisable to do so.

16. The Clerk laid before the Board the following list of Members, who will retire by efflluxion of time on the 8th June next.

Brooker, J., Esq.	Plumstead and Lewisham.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	St. Martin-in-the-Fields.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	St. Mary, Islington.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Lambeth.
Healey, F., Esq.	St. Pancras.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	St. George, Hanover Square.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Strand.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Greenwich.

Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq	.. ..	Camberwell.
Runtz, J., Esq. ..	.. .. ..	Hackney.
Saunders, J. E., Esq.	.. .. ..	City of London.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy	.. ..	Ditto.
Taylor, R., Esq...	.. .. ..	Lambeth.
Tite, Sir W., M.P.	.. .. ..	Chelsea.
Westerton, C., Esq.	.. .. ..	St. George, Hanover Square.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Court of Common Council of the City of London, and the Vestries and District Boards of the Parishes and Districts represented by the above-mentioned Members, be informed of the expiration of the term of office of those gentlemen.

17. The Clerk having reported that it was necessary that the Board should give directions with regard to the supply of coals and coke, for use at the various Pumping Stations, Fire Brigade Stations, Gas Meter Testing Houses, and at the Office in Spring-gardens, during the ensuing year,

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to issue advertisements, inviting Tenders for the supply of the coal and coke required by the Board during the ensuing year.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th May, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
	WANDSWORTH.			
Chatham-street, and Brougham-street, Lower Wandsworth-road	550	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
	ST. GILES.			
Little Denmark-street, Little Earl-street, King-street, and Queen-street, Seven Dials ..	1,220	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
	ST. PANCRAS.			
Intended new street, to be called Montpelier-road, Leighton-road, Kentish Town ..	742	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th May, 1870, on an application by the St. Giles's District Board, for permission to stop up the under-mentioned thoroughfares for the period and purpose therein mentioned.

Date of application.	Name of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1870. 4th May.	Little Denmark, Little Earl, King and Queen-streets, Seven Dials	Sewerage works.	6 weeks.	6 weeks.	Dudley, Great Earl, &c., streets.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the St. Giles District Board, for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

20. Read a Report as follows, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 22nd April last (No. 15)—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 10th May, 1870.

On letter from the Poplar District Board, relative to the late accumulation of oakum, &c., on the grating in the Isle of Dogs Sewer.

When the attention of the Board was first called to this matter, it was under the impression that the oakum came from a local sewer, but subsequently, and before receiving this letter stating such was not the case, it was found to come direct into the Main Sewer from some closets upon the Merchant Shipping Company's premises. The evil has, however, since been remedied by placing a grating at the inlet to the drain from those places.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the Report be received, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Poplar District Board.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th May, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts, viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
Corner of Harcourt-street by [Stafford-street, Marylebone—One new side entrance	33	0	0
Reconstruction of two gullies and the diversion of existing drain in Church-street, near King's-road, Chelsea	18	0	0
Total ..	£51	0	0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account.

22. The Clerk presented the following communication—

Plumstead Board of Works, Office, Charlton, S.E.,
6th May, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I am to forward you the following copy of a Resolution passed at the Meeting of this Board on Wednesday last, and to express a confident hope that the Metropolitan Board of Works will consider the subject therein referred to worthy of serious consideration.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) E. L. BURNETT,
Assistant Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.

"That the attention of the Metropolitan Board of Works be directed to the recent injunction "of the Master of the] Rolls against inclosing Plumstead, and Bostol Commons and also of the "forcible removal of the fences by the public, on Friday and Saturday last, the 29th and 30th "April, and requesting the Metropolitan Board, with reference to the Memorial of the Plumstead "District Board dated 16th June, 1869, and their decision thereon, to take such steps as may be in "their power to prevent the re-inclosure of these public Commons and to press forward their "scheme at the earliest moment."

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the said communication be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

23. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. George Outram, complaining that the Lambeth Water Company had not supplied him with water for four days.

Resolved—That Mr. Outram be informed that the Board have no power to interfere in the matter.

24. The Clerk presented the following communication—

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth.
Vestry Hall, Kennington Green, S., 10th May, 1870.

Thames Embankment—North Side.

Dear Sir,—I beg respectfully to forward copy of Resolution, passed by the Vestry, at a meeting held on the 5th instant, with a request that the same may be submitted to your Board, at the next meeting thereof—

"Resolved that this Vestry pray that no step may be taken to alter the appropriation of the "land dedicated by the Thames Embankment Act to public recreation and amusement; and further "that the Metropolitan Board will exercise their influence, to prevent the appropriation of any "part of the space reclaimed, belonging to the Crown, to any building purposes."

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. ROFFEY,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the communication be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the references already made to them on the subject to which it relates.

25. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Weldon, Manager to the London and Westminster Bank, dated 10th May, 1870, with Stock Receipts for £648 13s. Reduced Stock; £20 3s. 11d. Consols; and £131 3s. 1d. New 3 per Cents., purchased for the Board, as directed by them on the 6th instant (No. 2).

26. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 3rd May, 1870, referring to the entry (No. 57) in the Minutes of the Board of the 22nd April last, and stating that the Vestry had made no application to the Board for the incorporation of Halkin-terrace with Lowndes-street, but that Mr. F. Godwin was the applicant and that the Vestry had, at the request of the Superintending Architect, only given an opinion upon it.

The Clerk reported that he had ascertained that the facts were as stated by Mr. Lahee, but that in the report by the Architect the Vestry were described as the applicants.

Resolved—That the Clerk do communicate the facts to Mr. Lahee.

27. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the Hackney District Bo ard fo permission to borrow the sum of £10,000 for paving works in the District, and it was resolved and ordered, as follows—

Whereas the Board of Works for the Hackney District in the County of Middlesex, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said District Board, on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said District, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in the execution of certain works of paving within the said District. And whereas this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said District Board for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is ordered that the sanction in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Hackney District on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said District and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said District Board in the execution of the said works of paving within the said District, such Loan to bear interest at the rate of four pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and to be repaid by twelve half-yearly instalments, and the interest on the principal sum from time to time remaining due to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. R. Ellis, Clerk to the District Board, dated 9th May, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Hackney District Board; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

28. The Clerk laid before the Board the following letter—

6, Victoria Street, Westminster Abbey, S.W.,
13th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—Mr. Hope wishes you to attend before the Thames Navigation Committee and produce the correspondence with him during the past twelve months, together with the minutes of your Board at which that correspondence on the utilisation of sewage generally was considered.

Will you be kind enough to tell the bearer whether you have any difficulty in attending, or whether you would prefer to be asked to do so by an Order of the House.

Yours, &c.
(Signed) ROBERT BAXTER.

J. Pollard, Esq.

The Clerk reported that he had just received the foregoing letter, and had verbally informed the messenger that he was unable then to attend to it but would do so, and send Mr. Baxter a reply to-morrow morning, and he requested the instructions of the Board on the subject.

Resolved—That the Clerk do confer with the Solicitor on the subject and do send such a reply to the said letter as he may advise.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting, for sealing, two copies of the Thames Embankment, North, Viaduct Roadway Bill, for deposit in the House of Lords.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the two copies of the said Bill; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the consideration of the amended Bill introduced by the Government relative to Tramways, stood deferred until this day.

31. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that notice had been given by Mr. Fawcett, M.P. of a motion for a "Return from the Inclosure Commissioners as to all Inclosures effected "under the General Inclosure Act of 1845," and that the motion stood for this evening.

32. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting, for sealing, the Contract with Messrs. John Smith and Co., for the stationery, &c., required by the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords on Monday last, and committed for the 16th instant.

34. Read a Report by the Solicitor, with a copy of the Metropolitan Regulations Bill, introduced into the House of Lords by Marquis Townshend, for the purpose of giving certain powers to prosecute people committing certain offences mentioned in the Bill.

35. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Commons Inclosure Bill was not yet printed; and that the second reading of the Metropolitan Building and Management Acts Amendment Bill stood deferred until Tuesday next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers, seconded by Mr. Fowler—That the Clerk do send a copy of the Bill and the analysis of its provisions to each Vestry and District Board.

36. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill had been read a third time and passed in the House of Commons on Wednesday last.

37. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill was read a third time and passed last night; and that the Order for the second reading of the Suburban Commons Bill came before the House of Commons on Wednesday evening last, together with Mr. Lowther's motion for putting off the second reading for six months, but that, after some discussion, the Bill had been read a second time, and committed for the 22nd of June.

38. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the five private Bills relating to Tramways stood for second reading this day; and that the Thames Navigation Bill was before the Committee this day.

39. Read a Report by the Solicitor, with the declaration in the action by the London Engineering and Iron Shipbuilding Company, Limited, against the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the said Declaration be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with regard to the matter to which it relates.

40. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that the Committee on the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill stood deferred until the 26th instant, and that the draft of the Board's Loans Act Amendment Bill was now under the consideration of the Inland Revenue Department.

41. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting, for sealing, the Contract with Mr. John Hearn, for the construction of a Fire Brigade Station in High-street, Wandsworth.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

42. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating that John White and William Cole were committed yesterday for 10 days' hard labour, in default of payment of a fine of ten shillings, for sweeping mud into the Board's Main Sewer in Shoreditch.

43. Read the following Report, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of 29th April last (No. 78).

EVAN HARE, WANDSWORTH.

I was directed by the Board to report upon this case which I have considered, but perhaps the Board will allow me to suggest that the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, as my report would have reference to legal considerations which may have to be brought under the attention of the Magistrate if any proceedings are directed.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

44. Mr. Legg called attention to the subject of a projection at the corner of Rolls-road and St. James's-road, Bermondsey, and stated that the Vestry had taken proceedings before a magistrate, and obtained his order for the demolition of the erection, and he moved—That the Clerk do communicate with the Vestry with the view of ascertaining whether the order of the magistrate has been carried into effect.

The motion having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

45. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 12th May, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

The premises of the three applicants for licenses in the accompanying schedule having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of December.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places, and in the quantities stated below, for a period of seven calendar months and eighteen days from the 13th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage
HAMPSTEAD	Pittman, Hy.	15,108	35, Southampton Road, Fleet Rd.	2	Yard P. d.
NEWINGTON	Prior, Wm.	15,109	48, Standard Street, Harper Street	3	,, ,,
RAND	Gifford and Linder	15,107	104, Strand	1	Shop btls.

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Berriman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shed in St. George's-road, in the rear of the premises, No. 14, Crab Tree Shot-road, Peckham as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

47. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the 29th April last, (No. 46), on a letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, with reference to the erection of a wooden projection in front of the house, No. 77, King's-road; setting forth the facts and stating that he had communicated with the Vestry to the effect of his report.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that the course taken by the Superintending Architect be approved.

48. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Viney, on behalf of Mr. Webster, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a coachhouse and stable in Harrington-grove, Tollington-park, Hornsey-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

49. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. Clement, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows in front of four houses in Cottage-grove, Stockwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed bay windows be not carried up above the ground storey of the houses, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Douglas, on behalf of Messrs. Yeo, Warner, and Bishop, for the consent of the Board to the erection of six shops in Queen's-road, Saint John's Wood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application, together with the Memorial presented to the Board this day by inhabitants of Queen's-road, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

51. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Richardson and Waghorn, on behalf of Mr. F. Hailey, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of the "Bull and Last" public house about to be re-erected in Highgate-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the front of the new building and the footpath be given up to the public within three months from the present time, and be paved by the Vestry, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of the Rev. J. T. Wilkinson, for the permission of the Board to retain the temporary iron church erected in Alma-road until the new permanent building, now nearly completed, shall have been consecrated.

Resolved—That the temporary Church be allowed to remain until the end of the current year.

53. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. W. Lankston, on behalf of Mr. C. Goulder, for the permission of the Board to retain a photographic studio erected in the rear of the house, No. 468, New Cross-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

54. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. W. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a temporary shed with a workshop over, at the premises, No. 4, Nursery-place, Stoke Newington Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

55. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the the application of Mr. Thomas Armstrong, on behalf of Messrs. Lucas, Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a temporary open timber framed shed next Nightingale-road, Clapton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

56. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Crouch and Jay, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a corrugated iron roof at Mr. Brewster's premises adjoining the Metropolitan Cattle Market, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted.

57. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lander and Bedells, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a conservatory with wood panels at the house, No. 21, Clarewood-terrace, Cold Harbour-lane, Brixton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

58. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Roberts, for the permission of the Board to retain an open cart shed recently erected, and also to construct another open cart shed at Raglan-street, Dartmouth-road, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

59. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. J. Weller and F. T. Ashfield, for the permission of the Board to retain, for a further period, the temporary iron chapel erected in Surrey-lane, Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the church be allowed to remain for a further period of twelve calendar months from this date.

60. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the amended application of Mr. E. Parsons, on behalf of Mr. Webb, with respect to the construction of a conservatory or verandah in the rear of the house, No. 10, Wimbledon Park-road, stating that the applicant now proposed to leave the verandah unenclosed, and requested permission to cover the wooden supports and floor with zinc.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

61. Chelsea—(Detached.)—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. William C. Poole, on behalf of the United Land Company (Limited), for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of five new roads and the widening of Kilburn-lane-road, on the Kilburn and Harrow-road estate, and of the names "Lancefield," "Mozart," "Herries," "Beethoven," and Dart-streets, for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

62. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. W. Smith, for the permission of the Board to retain a temporary shop

front at the house, No. 4, Nursery-place, Stoke Newington Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

63. Lewisham—Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
12th May, 1870.

Metropolis Management Amendment Act—Bye-Law.

A communication from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District that the buildings in Havelock-mews, Forest-hill, are being occupied as dwellings contrary to the Order made by the Board, 17th October, 1862. (4,680.)

This mews was sanctioned by the Board, by Order dated 17th October, 1862, to be formed 20 feet in width, "upon condition that the erections be not altered or converted into dwelling houses "without the consent of the Board, and that the erections do not exceed 20 feet in height."

Upon examining the property it is found that the limit to height of the buildings in this Mews has not been exceeded, but a builder's yard has been formed by a Mr. C. Pearce, and a small dwelling house erected at its entrance, and this, upon reference to case No. 10,726, I find was permitted to be erected by Order of the Board dated 13th March, 1868.

No other buildings used as dwellings have been erected since the approval of the formation of the Mews on 17th October, 1862, but some of the previously existing stables are so occupied.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be received, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Lewisham District Board.

64. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Hooper, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two new streets in continuation of Thomas-street and Tooke-street, West Ferry-road, Millwall.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

65. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. W. Marsh, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house in High-street, at the corner of Poplar-terrace, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

66. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th May, 1870, on the application of Mr Charles H. Rew, for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a new street to lead out of Grant-road, Clapham Junction.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

67. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870 on the application of Mr. Edwin Carter, for consent to a deviation from the Plan approved, by the Board on the 27th September, 1867, (No. 144), for the formation of a road to lead ou of Groton-road, Garratt-lane, by forming a road along the bank of the river Wandle, 30 feet wide, with buildings on one side only, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed road be in no part of a less width than 40 feet, and that the side of the road next the river be protected by a wall six feet high.

68. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. E. Weldon, for the re-numbering of the houses in Tufnell Park-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

69. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. W. Archbutt, for the re-numbering of the houses in Angell-road, Brixton.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

70. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of the Wandsworth District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Culvert-road and Austin-road, Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

71. Shoreditch.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Warton, District Surveyor of the District of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and the Liberty of Norton Folgate, for the consent of the Board to the appointment by him of Mr. Thomas H. Hovenden, as his Deputy, until the end of the current year.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Harris—That the Board do consent to the appointment by Mr. Robert Warton, of Mr. Thomas H. Hovenden as his Deputy, for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and the Liberty of Norton Folgate, for a period of two calendar months from this date.

72. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th May, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Andrew Moseley, Surveyor of the District of Fulham, stating that he had temporarily removed his District Office until the 23rd July next from "Edenhurst" to the adjoining house "Broom Cottage," Fulham, and requesting the approval of the Board thereto.

Resolved—That the situation of the said temporary District Office be approved.

73. The following notice was given by Mr. Bidgood for the next meeting of the Board, viz.:—(No. 527.)—To introduce a Deputation from Vestries, &c., of St. Anne, Soho, and St. James, Westminster, and from the Strand and Westminster District Boards, on the subject of a new street from Charing Cross to Tottenham Court-road.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 20th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 19.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday, the 20th day of May, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Edward Collinson, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	James Brooker, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.	Henry Dodd, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.		
Robert Taylor, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 13th instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. The Chairman stated that on Saturday last, the 14th instant, the new line of street at Whitechapel, which the Board have constructed under the provisions of the Whitechapel and Holborn Improvement Act, 1865, had been opened by them to the public.

3. A Deputation from the Vestries and Ratepayers of St. Anne, Soho (part of the Strand District), and St. James, Westminster, and from the Westminster District Board, introduced by Mr. Phillips, Mr. White, and Mr. Bidgood, and consisting of the Hon. Captain Grosvenor, M.P., Mr. W. H. Smith, M.P., Messrs. Sewell and Co., Messrs. Parkins and Gotto, Messrs. Crosse and Blackwell, Mr. Bonsor, Mr. Downes, Mr. Addis, Mr. Duff, Mr. Child, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Chaffer, Mr. Spryng, Mr. Jefferys, Mr. Street, Mr. Miller, Mr. Hedgecock, Mr. Allen, Mr. Turner, Mr. Berry, and Mr. Purvis, attended the Board and presented a Memorial which was read as follows—

To the Honorable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The respectful Petition of the Vestries of the Parishes of Saint James, Westminster, Saint Margaret and Saint John, Westminster, and Saint Anne, Westminster.

Sheweth,

That the formation of a direct communication between the north and south parts of the Metropolis having been for many years an urgent necessity, your Petitioners in the latter end of the year 1869 appointed a Joint Committee to inquire into the matter and into the best means of effecting so desirable an object.

That as the result of the inquiries instituted by such Committee, your Petitioners find that as long ago as 1838, a Select Committee of the House of Commons reported that it was desirable to make a direct communication between the north and south parts of the Metropolis, and that such Select Committee assumed Charing-cross and the east end of Oxford-street (Tottenham-court-road) to be the points between which such direct communication should be made.

That since 1838 the population of the parishes both on the north and south sides of the Metropolis has increased enormously.

That since that time nothing has been done towards carrying out the recommendation of the Select Committee, and that the difficulty of getting from Tottenham-court-road to Charing-cross, or directing any one how to get there is as great as ever.

That there is really no first-rate street connecting the great lines of thoroughfare running east and west between Farringdon-street on the east and Regent-street on the west, but it is hardly necessary to enlarge upon the difficulties of passing from north to south in the centre of London, as those difficulties must have been painfully apparent to the Members of your Honorable Board when the Board met in the old premises at the corner of Greek-street and Soho-square.

That your Petitioners have fully considered the most desirable line of route between north and south, and for many reasons are of opinion that the line shown on the plan annexed to this Petition is the best which can be adopted, bearing in mind the approaching erection of the new National Gallery, and that in all probability a street from Leicester-square to the west side of Trafalgar-square will be made as one of the approaches thereto. Should such last mentioned street and the street now proposed be made there will be a magnificent Boulevard in the centre of London by Oxford-street, Regent-street, Pall-mall, and the new streets.

That a joint deputation from your Petitioners in January last waited on the First Commissioner of Works to urge upon the Government the propriety of making such last mentioned street, but the First Commissioner stated that he thought that such street should be made by some public body or company, and not by the Government, but that if your Honorable Board or any public company proposed to make a good street in that direction, the Government would take the matter into consideration and modify their plans, so as to allow the street to be made, and so as to have a west front to the National Gallery. The First Commissioner added that he thought your Honorable Board would be justified in taking the matter up, having the power to tax the community for the purpose.

That it will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that some years since an Act was obtained for making a new street and railway from the Camden Station of the London and North Western Railway to Charing-cross, and although the line of route and mode of formation proposed to be adopted in that Act would have been a great improvement on the present state of things, it was objectionable for several reasons, and principally because it would have formed a circuitous route for those going from the west to the north, and because, by utilizing the existing buildings along one side of the line of route a mean and unpretending street would have been formed instead of one of an imposing character, an ornament, and a credit to the Metropolis, the ground rents of which would so much exceed those in a street of an inferior character, that their value would almost, if not quite, recoup the extra cost of purchasing the ground.

That inquiries have been made of the persons who obtained the Act above referred to as to why the street and railway thereby contemplated were not constructed, and the reply was, that (although a Committee of your Honorable Board had unanimously recommended that a sum of £100,000 should be granted out of the Rates as a contribution towards the new street), the expense of making the street and railway would have been so great that commercially the matter would have been a failure, and that, unless some public body would assist, it was idle to suppose that the matter could be carried out.

That your Petitioners have also ascertained from the persons who obtained the Act above referred to, that if they can obtain any assistance they would be willing to introduce a Bill into the next Session of Parliament for liberty to deviate from the line originally proposed and to adopt the line shown on the Plan, and that they would propose that the Railway Company should pay half the net cost of the new street after realization of the ground rents to be created, in consideration of a grant of the right to make their railway under the same, the property to be purchased and the street to be constructed by your Honorable Board.

That the proposed street and railway will necessarily involve the purchase of Leicester-square, the purchase-money for which and the cost of laying out the same in an ornamental manner for the benefit of the public is included in the estimate hereinafter referred to.

That advantage might be taken of the acquisition of Leicester-square to make a broad road from the north-west corner thereof to the south-east corner thereof, the remainder of the square being treated in a similar manner to the Broad Sanctuary, Westminster.

That at present, owing to the inferior character of the property through which the street would pass, the land might be purchased at a comparatively low cost, but that if it be delayed the cost

will be most probably considerably enhanced by the erection of new buildings and the general rise in the value of houses and lands.

That from its central position the land on both sides of the street would be readily taken up for business purposes, and that the Board would thus be enabled to recoup itself for its outlay in a very short space of time and with much less than the usual loss.

That half the net cost above referred to has been estimated by a surveyor of great eminence at £200,000.

That your Petitioners respectfully suggest that whilst great improvements have been carried out in many parts of the Metropolis, and great benefits have been conferred on the inhabitants of such parts by the expenditure of your Honorable Board (your Petitioners refer especially to Thames Embankments both on the north and south sides of the river, Finsbury Park, Southwark Park, Southwark-street, Queen Victoria-street, and the new street from Whitechapel-road to the Commercial-road), no improvement except Garrick-street (which can hardly be called of Metropolitan importance) has been effected for the benefit of the centre of London, and your Petitioners would not ask for your Honorable Board's assistance for the proposed line of street, did they not consider that it would confer at least as much benefit on the Metropolis as any of the improvements above referred to.

That it is a remarkable fact that all the improvements above referred to run nearly east and west, and make no improvement in the communications from north to south, and your Memorialists fear that if so favourable an opportunity as now presents itself of availing an offer to pay half the cost of a new street in consideration of a right to make a railway is lost, it may be some time before a similar one may occur again.

Your Petitioners therefore respectfully pray that your Honorable Board will take such steps as may be necessary to obtain power to make the new street indicated on the Plan, and to sell the right to make a railway under such street to any Company willing to purchase the same upon the above terms, or upon such modification thereof as to your Honorable Board shall seem just.

Signed on behalf of the Petitioners.

(Signed) WILLIAM BACON, Chairman.

The Deputation were heard in support of the Memorial and handed in a Plan of the proposed improvement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the said Memorial and Plan be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

4. Mr. Healey handed in a communication from the Vestry of St. Pancras, which was read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Healey, seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor—That the said communication be received and entered on the Minutes of proceedings of this day, and it is entered accordingly—

Parish of Saint Pancras, in the County of Middlesex.

At a General Meeting of the Vestrymen of the said Parish, held at the Vestry Hall, King's Road, Pancras Road, on Wednesday the 18th day of May, 1870.

Mr. Churchwarden TURNER in the Chair, and Seventy-five other Vestrymen present.

It was RESOLVED, on the MOTION of Mr. Clement George—That, pursuant to the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee, the Vestry hereby express their approval of the action taken by the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, with a view to retain for public recreation, the space reclaimed from the foreshore of the Thames by the Thames Embankment, and that the County and Borough Members be requested to give Mr. W. H. Smith, M.P., and Captain Grosvenor, M.P., all the support in their power in urging the subject upon the consideration of Parliament.

It was further RESOLVED, on the MOTION of Mr. Clement George—That this Vestry, having heard from Mr. Silas Taylor, one of their representatives at the Metropolitan Board of Works, of the action taken by that Board with reference to the foreshore reclaimed from the Thames by the formation of the Thames Embankment, hereby tender their thanks to the Board, and urge upon them the necessity for continued efforts in defence of the claims of the Metropolitan Ratepayers.

Extracted from the Minutes.

The Common Seal of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Pancras affixed hereto by order.

L.S.

(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB,
Vestry Clerk.

5. Mr. Le Breton handed in a letter which was read as follows—

Vestry Offices, Workhouse, Hampstead, N.W.
18th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to enclose a copy of a letter received by this Vestry from Mr. Jourdan, the owner of the house adjoining those, the improper erection of which is complained of. This Vestry considers it discloses a serious neglect somewhere in the Office which requires investigation, and the Vestry will, therefore, feel obliged by your bringing the subject under the notice of the Board at the earliest opportunity.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) WM. GRIBBLE,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(COPY.)

Avenue House, Hamptead,
12th May, 1870.

SIR,—I shall feel much obliged if you will call the attention of the Hampstead Vestry to the houses recently erected at the end of the Avenue, and adjoining mine.

Having been informed that the Metropolitan Board of Works were the proper authorities to apply to, I wrote, as long ago as last August (when the houses were but little advanced) to Mr. Vulliamy, calling his attention to the matter; and, receiving no answer, I wrote again on two subsequent occasions, and the last time took the letter myself to the proper department at the Board of Works, Spring-gardens, and was told by an Official "the matter would be sure to meet with attention." This happened more than four months ago, and I am still without any reply. As further application on my part in that quarter appears useless, I must hope that your Vestry will consider the case. My complaint is grounded on the fact that these houses are built much beyond the proper line of frontage of the road now called Belsize Park-gardens, in which my residence stands, and they quite over-lap my premises, besides being a fearful disfigurement to the road. I can hardly imagine that they have been built under any official sanction, as I do not believe they would have been allowed to be so placed by any authority having control over the position of buildings in our public roads. I may add, that a door has now been opened in our road in connection with the end house, thus removing all doubt as to their claim of frontage in Belsize Park-gardens.

Trusting that your Vestry will take into consideration this matter, and feeling that in so doing they will be investigating not only a private grievance, but a public wrong,

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) FRAS. JOURDAN.

William Gribble, Esq.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

6. Read a letter as follows—

Guildhall, E.C., 14th May, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to my letter of the 31st January last, I have the honour to forward, for the acceptance of the Metropolitan Board of Works, the accompanying books, which have been published under the direction of the Corporation, in addition to those already transmitted.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) F. WOODTHORPE.

John Pollard, Esq.

Resolved—That the thanks of the Board be communicated to the Corporation for their courtesy in sending the books in question.

7. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 17th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 14th May, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	105,995 3 2	347 10 5	..	105,647 12 9
Fire Brigade	..	7,103 11 4	2,363 17 4	..	4,739 14 0
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
General	..	500,825 1 3	600 0 0	..	500,225 1 3
Fire Brigade	..	14,818 12 2	..	..	14,818 12 2
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,777 12 1	..	..	1,777 12 1
Victoria Park Approach	4,202 18 10	..	..	4,202 18 10	..
Finsbury Park	..	413 4 4	403 13 11	..	9 10 5
Southwark Park	..	518 5 1	..	..	518 5 1
Whitechapel Improvement	3,259 5 11	..	..	3,259 5 11	..
Kensington Improvement	..	5,775 11 9	2,529 7 2	..	3,246 4 7
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	47,548 8 10	15,602 6 4	..	31,946 2 6
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	11,453 12 5	..	1,989 12 0	13,443 4 5	..
Park Lane Improvement	..	2,741 2 4	..	..	2,741 2 4
Chelsea Embankment	..	1,609 3 3	..	..	1,609 3 3
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Holborn Improvement	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Firemen's Savings Fund	..	120 17 1	..	..	120 17 1
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	1,984 15 0	..	..	1,984 15 0
Consolidated Loans Fund	15,858 3 2	..	..	15,858 3 2	..
	34,774 0 4	693,069 5 0	23,836 7 2	36,763 12 4	671,222 9 10
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	34,774 0 4	..	..	36,763 12 4
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	658,295 4 8	..	..	634,458 17 6
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,695 18 4	509 9 6	..	1,186 8 10
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
Thames Embankment, North	..	23,529 11 4	94 13 0	..	23,434 18 4
Southern Embankment	..	159,487 0 2	530 9 1	..	158,956 11 1
Mansion House Street	..	30,400 14 2	474 15 4	..	29,925 18 10
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	213,417 5 8	1,099 17 5	..	212,317 8 3
AGGREGATE TOTALS	.. £	873,408 8 8	25,445 14 1	.	847,962 14 7

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,391 0s. 0d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	669 14s. 5d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Firemen's Savings Fund	2,751 5s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED, from 2nd to 14th May, 1870—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Precepts—		
St. George-in-the-East	£204 0 6	
Middle Temple	117 5 9	
Strand District	3,252 14 7	
Camberwell	3,838 11 3	
Hampstead	2,458 0 2	
Carried forward	£9,870 12 3	.. .

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	£9,870 12 3	.. ..
Precepts—*(continued)*.		
Clerkenwell	2,726 11 10	
Whitechapel District	3,365 12 11	
St. Luke's	2,533 8 2	
Plumstead District	2,112 14 11	
Holborn do.	2,321 16 3	
	22,930 16 4	
Rates	303 0 0	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	140 13 6	
Building Act Fees	4 10 0	
Drain Junctions	1 11 6	
		23,380 11 4
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Contributions from Insurance Offices..	249 6 0	
Annuities from National Debt Office, *re* Pensioners	170 0 0	
Subscription for Reports of Fires	5 0 0	
Chimney-fire Fines	66 5 6	
Watching Premises	67 10 0	
Attendance at Ex-Metropolitan Fires	5 19 0	
		564 0 6
VICTORIA PARK APPROACH.		
Costs of Lease	.. ..	7 7 0
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.		
Rents	.. ..	10 0 0
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT.		
Costs of Leases	.. ..	42 18 0
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.		
Rates	.. ..	74 19 8
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Rents	496 15 6	
Sale of Plots	3,500 0 0	
		3,996 15 6
		£28,076 12 0

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £19,593 5s. 4d., be paid.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under their consideration the subject of the transfer of the Board's Metropolitan Consolidated Stock. It will be in the recollection of the Board that, by the tenth section of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, books are to be kept for the registration of the holders of their Stock, and that, by the terms of the arrangement with the Bank of England, such registration is to be effected by them, and that, on and after the 6th July next, transfers of the Stock may be made. With a view to carrying out this arrangement, it becomes necessary that a form of transfer should be approved. Your Committee have instructed the Accountant to confer with the authorities of the Bank of England, as to a suitable form; and he has obtained a copy of that usually adopted by them which has been adapted to the Board's Stock. The Solicitor of the Board has reported to your Committee that he considers the form adapted to the object in view, and, as the Bank ask for the Board's formal approval of the form, your Committee submit it for that purpose.

In pursuance of the 49th Section of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, your Committee have had before them a Return, which has been prepared by the Accountant, showing, up to the 25th March, 1870, the amount of Consolidated Stock; the application of the money raised by such Stock; the sums carried to, and the application of, the Consolidated Loans Fund; and an estimate of the expenditure of the Board, for all purposes, for the year ending the 25th March, 1871, with a view to its being presented to Parliament, in accordance with the terms of the Act. Copies of the Return have been sent to the Members of the Board, and your Committee now submit it for the approval of the Board.

In accordance with the reference back to them by the Board on the 11th March, 1870 (No. 4), your Committee have to report that they have carefully considered the items in the account of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for general contract works for the quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869, for arris rail fencing at the northern outfall, and, from the information they have been able to obtain from independent sources, they have arrived at the opinion that the price charged for such fencing is unduly high; having regard, however, to the facts that the price of the fencing in question was not provided for in the Schedule attached to Messrs. Hill and Keddell's contract, and that the Engineer has certified that the charges in question are such as might be paid, they think that the Board should not withhold payment; they, therefore, recommend—

That Messrs. Hill and Keddell's account for general contract works, for the quarter ending Michaelmas, 1869, amounting to £414 4s. 1d. be paid, and that in future any work involving a considerable outlay, for which provision is not made in the Schedule of prices, be submitted to tender.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.			
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
(4000)	Balance of Bill for Works in connection with Temporary Pumping Station at Abbey Mills .. £1,575 4 7		
(4001)	Further on account of Repairs to Machinery, &c., at Abbey Mills Pumping Station 4,000 0 0		
		5,575 4 7	
CLARK, A.—			
(4002)	Fresh Water supplied to Crossness Pumping Station, April, 1870 ..	19 13 9	
H. M. RECEIVER GENERAL (per Bank of England)—			
(4003)	Half-Year's Rent and Land Tax, for site of Offices, Spring Gardens, due 5th April, 1870	253 17 0	
STANFORD, E.—			
(4004)	Bill for Maps, January to March, 1870	10 1 9	
LAWRENCE, J.—			
(4005)	Clothing for House-keeper and Hall-porter, Aug., 1869 to March, 1870	13 14 6	
ASTON AND MANDER—			
(4006)	Surveying Instruments, &c, March, 1866 to February, 1868 ..	11 6 3	
HANCOCK, J. L.—			
(4007)	Vulcanized India-rubber Tubing for Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster, May, 1870	13 14 0	
HALL, J., Lighterman—			
(4008)	Hire of Steamboat, and Expenses in connection with Thames Navigation Bill, May, 1870	20 13 6	
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—			
(4009)	Half-year's Interest on Balance of Loan of £140,000 (less tax) due 29th May, 1870	772 1 4	
BANK OF ENGLAND—			
(4010)	Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £60,000, due 1st June, 1870	1,147 3 0	
OFFICERS' SALARIES—Second Monthly Advance on account—Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—			
(4011)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department £25 0 0		
(4012)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,, 25 0 0		
(4013)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,, 23 6 8		
(4014)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,, 15 12 6		
(4015)	Estlin, J. ,, ,, 16 13 4		
	Carried forward .. £105 12 6	7,837 9 8	.. ..

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	£105 12 6	7,837	9 8	..	..	
Officers' Salaries—Monthly List—(*Continued*)—							
(4016)	Link, G. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	£12 0 0					
(4017)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,,	12 0 0					
(4018)	Link, W. ,, ,,	11 13 4					
(4019)	Hammond, D. ,, ,,	10 16 8					
(4020)	Spencer, A. ,, ,,	10 16 8					
(4021)	Moore, H. F. ,, ,,	10 16 8					
(4022)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7 0 0					
(4023)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7 0 0					
(4024)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25 0 0					
(4025)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Accountant's Department	16 13 4					
(4026)	Whitworth, E., 3rd ,, ,,	14 11 8					
(4027)	Doggett, E., Assistant ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4028)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,, ,,	8 6 8					
(4029)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,, ,,	6 6 8					
(4030)	Fenton, J. ,, ,, ,,	5 0 0					
(4031)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25 0 0					
(4032)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25 0 0					
(4033)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25 0 0					
(4034)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4035)	McDougall, J., Surveyor ,,	25 0 0					
(4036)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,,	25 0 0					
(4037)	Groves, W. ,, ,,	21 13 4					
(4038)	Crook, W. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4039)	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4040)	Crane, W. ,, ,,	18 6 8					
(4041)	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4042)	Mott, A. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4043)	Bell, J. ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4044)	Groves, S. ,, ,,	15 12 6					
(4045)	Smith, J. C., Assistant Clerk ,,	5 0 0					
(4046)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works ,,	18 4 0					
(4047)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,,	9 2 0					
(4048)	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,,	8 6 8					
(4049)	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,,	8 6 8					
(4050)	Gibson, G. ,, ,,	8 6 8					
(4051)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,,	8 6 8					
(4052)	Fernley, G. ,, ,,	4 13 4					
(4053)	Little, R. ,, ,,	6 13 4					
(4054)	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,,	6 13 4					
(4055)	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,,	5 8 4					
(4056)	Spake, J. ,, ,,	5 8 4					
(4057)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Architect's Department	58 6 8					
(4058)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer ,,	33 6 8					
(4059)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,,	12 10 0					
(4060)	Morgan, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4061)	Lepard, J. T. ,, (from 1st April) ,,	37 19 2					
(4062)	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman ,,	14 11 8					
(4063)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,,	25 0 0					
(4064)	Pape, J. ,, ,,	16 13 4					
(4065)	White, C. W. ,, ,,	15 12 6					
(4066)	Chapman, W. ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4067)	Welsh, R. ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4068)	Knight, W. H. ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4069)	Robertson, T. J. ,, ,,	9 3 4					
(4070)	Bailey, A. J. ,, ,,	7 0 0					
(4071)	Hogarth, R. ,, . Solicitor's Department	27 10 0					
(4072)	Hinchliff, G. ,, ,,	25 0 0					
(4073)	Fry, C. ,, ,,	23 6 8					
(4074)	Hertslet, F. ,, ,,	11 13 4					
(4075)	Bloomfield, E. ,, ,,	12 10 0					
(4076)	Scott, G. W. ,, ,,	10 0 0					
(4077)	Dickins, C., Record-room Keeper	8 6 8					
			1,046	2 8			
					8,883	12	4
	Carried forward ..		..		£8,883	12	4

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	.. ..	8,883 12 4
	FIRE BRIGADE.		
MERRYWEATHER AND SONS—			
(2529)	Canvas Buckets, April, 1870	6 18 0	
H. M. POSTMASTER GENERAL—			
(2530)	Rent of Telegraphs, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	261 12 6	
HAINES, T.—			
(2531)	Repairs at Stations, March, 1870—		
	Portland Road £2 16 0		
	Baker Street 0 14 0		
		3 10 0	
HILL, W.—			
(2532)	Repairs, &c., at Camberwell Station, February, 1870	3 19 6	
LANGMEAD AND WAY, Contractors—			
(2533)	Further on account of erection of Station, Adelaide Road, St. John's Wood	300 0 0	
FAWKES, T.—			
(2534)	Repairs at Stations, January and February, 1870—		
	Kennington Lane £2 2 0		
	Old Kent Road 3 19 6		
		6 1 6	
BEVAN, N., Receiver of Chimney-fire Fines—			
(2535)	Second Monthly Advance on account of Salary, Quarter ending Mid-summer, 1870	16 13 4	
			598 14 10
	FINSBURY PARK.		
WOOD, J.—			
(176)	Oak Pale-fencing as per Contract	..	133 15 0
	MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
(45)	Final Payment for Roadways, Embankment, &c., near Plaistow, Contract No. 76	1,336 13 1	
HISCOX AND WILLIAMS, Contractors—			
(46)	Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer from Westminster to Pimlico	4,000 0 0	
DICKINSON AND OLIVER, Contractors—			
(47)	Further on account of Kennington and Lambeth Sewers—Contract No. 160	1,906 0 0	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—			
(48)	Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, in connection with Old Outlets at Bankside	87 16 9	
			7,330 9 10
	THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.		
LONDON GAS LIGHT COMPANY—			
(36)	Gas for Lamps on Embankment, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	..	18 3 7
	TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—		
	CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(12)	*General Account*—		
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 11th May, 1870 .. £565 0 4		
	Petty Cash Payments—3rd to 16th May, 1870 .. 120 9 11		
	Collectors' Poundage—April, 1869 .. .. .. 5 12 0		
	Rates & Taxes, for Premises used for Drainage Purposes 6 6 1		
	Do. for Gas-meter Testing-houses .. 36 15 7		
		734 3 11	
	Fire Brigade—		
	Weekly Wages, Draughtsman—Two Weeks to 11th May, 1870 .. .. £3 6 8		
	Ditto, Firemen—Two Weeks to 14th May, 1870 .. 1,020 14 0		
	Rent of Lodgings for Firemen, April 1870 .. 136 14 3		
	Foremen's Expenses, April, 1870—		
	Expenses at Fires £270 7 11		
	Incidentals 64 1 1		
	334 9 0		
	Carried forward £1,495 3 11	734 3 11	16,964 15 7

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	£1,495 3 11	734 3 11	16,964 15 7
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—*(Continued)*.			
Fire Brigade—			
Incidental Expenses at Chief Station, April, 1870 ..	20 15 6		
Summonses and Expenses in recovering Chimney-fire Penalties, 28th March to 7th May, 1870 ..	38 4 11		
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 14th May, 1870	3 2 0		
Rates, Taxes, Gas, and Water, for sundry Stations..	186 4 1		
Sundry small Bills, for Repairs, &c., at Stations ..	3 12 10		
	£1,747 3 3		
Firemen's Savings Fund—Amount returned to Firemen leaving the Service	56 13 0		
		1,803 16 3	
Whitechapel Improvement—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 11th May, 1870		4 14 6	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 11th May, 1870		21 0 0	
Main Drainage Rate Collection—			
Collectors' Poundage, April, 1870		1 12 3	
Advertisements—March and April, 1870—			
General Account	£24 7 6		
Fire Brigade	2 8 0		
		26 15 6	
			2,592 2 5
THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.			
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(11) *Thames Embankment, North*—			
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 11th May, 1870		34 10 4	
Mansion House Street—			
Weekly Wages—One Week to 11th May, 1870		1 17 0	
			36 7 4
TOTAL			£19,593 5 4

Certified,
(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
ED. COLLINSON,
THOS. J. WHITE,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

FORM OF TRANSFER REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK (£3½ PER CENT.)

No.	£	s.	d.
this day of in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and do Assign and Transfer			
Entered by			
Witness to the Identity of			
Interest or Share in the Metropolitan Consolidated Stock created under the Act of Parliament 32 & 33 Vict. c. 102, and transferable at the Bank of England, and all my property, right, and interest in and to the same and the dividends thereon, unto			
Executors, Administrators, or Assigns. Witness hand			
Witness			
do freely and voluntarily Accept the above Stock transferred to			
Witness			

RETURN REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Return (in pursuance of Act 32 *&* 33 *Vict., c.* 102, *s.* 49), *showing, up to the* 25*th March,* 1870,

1. The Amount of Consolidated Stock.
2. The Application of the Money raised by such Stock.
3. The sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund.
4. The application of the Consolidated Loans Fund ; and
5. An Estimate of the Expenditure of the Board for all purposes, for the year ending the 25th March, 1871.

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN, Accountant.

Spring Gardens, S.W., May, 1870.

1. AMOUNT OF METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK:—

(Rate of Interest £3 10 per cent per annum, payable quarterly.)	£2,638,673 0 4

This is the amount of Stock to be inscribed in the books of the Bank of England on 6th July, 1870, in respect of a Loan of £2,500,000 (sterling), negotiated in November last. Instalments of the Loan are now in course of receipt. The amount in sterling received up to 25th March, 1870, was £1,779,440.

2. APPLICATION OF THE MONEY RAISED BY SUCH STOCK:—

Fire Brigade (Capital Account)	£35,000 0 0	
Finsbury Park	15,000 0 0	
Southwark Park	10,000 0 0	
Stingo Lane Improvement	38,800 0 0	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	130,000 0 0	
Park Lane Improvement	15,000 0 0	
Chelsea Embankment	5,000 0 0	
Minor Improvements	18,538 18 11	
		267,338 18 11
Repayment of moneys borrowed prior to the passing of the Act, 32 & 33 Vic., c. 102, viz:—		
To National Debt Commissioners in full of Loan guaranteed by the Treasury	£928,100 0 0	
To Bank of England (portion of Loan of £300,000, the balance £152,000 being paid off with proceeds of Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund, &c.; see Statement as to Consolidated Loans Fund, below)	148,000 0 0	
		1,076,100 0 0
Loan to Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, under Sec. 37 of the Act		303,000 0 0
		1,646,438 18 11
Balance, applicable to further Expenditure on the above Works		133,001 1 1
		£1,779,440 0 0

3. SUMS CARRIED TO THE CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND:—

Residue of Coal and Wine Duties received from H. M. Treasury		£18,757 5 6
Rents on the different Improvements		4,957 13 0
Sales of Ground Rents, &c.		97,493 18 0
Interest—		
On Sum due from Metropolitan District Railway	4,414 7 7	
On Cash Balances	1,250 13 1	
		5,665 0 8
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund (portion applicable to the Loan raised for Southwark and Westminster Communication)—		
Dividends	2,010 8 9	
New 3 per Cent. Stock, £128,621 2s. 3d. value	119,296 1 7	
Further Proceeds of Southwark and Westminster Account	30,693 9 8	
		152,000 0 0
Advance from General Account of the Board (repaid since 25th March)		15,826 9 4
		£294,700 6 6

4. Application of the Consolidated Loans Fund—

Repayment of moneys borrowed (including £152,000 Southwark and Westminster Communication Account) . .	169,556 0 11	
Discounts on prompt Payment of Instalments of Loan .	4,007 14 9	
		173,563 15 8
Investment Account: value of £128,621 2s. 3d. New 3 per Cent. Stock. .		119,296 1 7
Balance in hand (in addition to New 3 per Cent. Stock)		1,840 9 3
		£294,700 6 6

5. Estimate of the Expenditure of the Board for the Year ending 25th March, 1871.

Estimate of General Working Expenses provided for by the Consolidated Rate for 1870. [This is the Estimate as approved by the Board for the year ending 31st December, 1870, but the Expenditure will be substantially the same in the year to 25th March, 1871.]		
For Interest and Repayment of Principal of securities granted before passing of Act 32 & 33 Vict. c. 102, (exclusive of Instalments of Loans repayable out of Consolidated Loans Fund £30,631 11 8—see below) . .		£307,632 9 9
For Sewerage and Drainage, Maintenance of Parks, Expenses under Acts relating to Petroleum, Dangerous Structures, Fire Brigade, Contagious Diseases (Animals), Building, &c.		124,913 12 2
		£432,546 1 11
Estimate of amount payable out of Consolidated Loans Fund—		
For Dividends on Metropolitan Consolidated Stock . .	£91,968 0 0	
For Instalments of Principal of old securities repayable .	30,631 11 8	
For Redemption of Metropolitan Consolidated Stock . .	42,000 0 0	
		£164,599 11 8
Estimate of amount to be expended in carrying out Metropolitan Improvements, etc—		
Stingo Lane Improvement	£50,000 0 0	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	497,000 0 0	
Park Lane Improvement	123,000 0 0	
Chelsea Embankment	135,000 0 0	
Contributions to Minor Improvements and for completion of Finsbury and Southwark Parks, and Whitechapel and Kensington Improvements	77,000 0 0	
Fire Brigade (Capital a/c)	15,000 0 0	
		897,000 0 0
		£1,494,145 13 7

The expenditure on the Thames Embankments was provided for and the money borrowed before the passing of the Act 32 & 33 Vic. c. 102. It is therefore omitted from the above Estimate; as is also the payment by the Treasury out of Coal and Wine duties, for Interest and Sinking Fund of the Thames Embankment Loans.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £19,593 5s. 4d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Form of Transfer for the Board's Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, now submitted, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the consideration of so much of the Report as relates to the Return, prepared under the 49th section of the Loans Act, of the amount of the Board's Consolidated Stock, be deferred until Friday next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson—That Messrs. Hill and Keddell's account, amounting to £414 4s. 1d., be paid, and that in future any work involving a considerable outlay, for which provision is not made in the Schedule of prices attached to the General Contracts, be submitted for tender.

8. Mr. Runtz handed in the following letter—

Town Hall, Hackney, E., May 12th, 1870.

Re Commons and Open Spaces.

Dear Sir—On the other side I beg to forward you Copy of Resolutions passed at the Board Meeting held this morning, and am directed to request you to lay the same before the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) R. ELLIS,
per G. G.

J. Runtz, Esq.

Resolved—That this Board is of opinion that Hackney Marsh should be included in the scheme now in course of preparation by Her Majesty's Inclosure Commissioners, for the preservation and dedication to public use of London Fields, Hackney Downs, and other Open Spaces within the Hackney District, thus including in one scheme all the Commons and Public Open Spaces within the District.

Resolved—That a Copy of the foregoing Resolution be at once forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and that they be requested to urge on the Commissioners the desirability of putting it in force.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the said letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration and report.

9. Mr. Dixon handed in the copy of a letter which had been addressed to the Board on the 27th March, 1862, by Mr. William Baker, Clerk to the Commercial Road Trust, containing suggestions for the re-numbering of the houses in the Commercial-road, and **moved**—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report; and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

The motion, having been seconded, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative and it was **resolved** accordingly.

10. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. Dethridge, Vestry Clerk of Paddington, dated 19th May, 1870, with an estimate of the value of the property proposed to be affected by the Improvement in Harrow-road, and a list of signatures of ratepayers in favour of the improvement.

Resolved—That the documents be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration in connection with the previous reference on the subject to which they relate.

11. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee.

Spring Gardens, 16th May, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Kensington Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Plowman—		
Purchase Money, Freeholds, Nos, 17 to 21, King-street—		
Plowman, G. H.	£525 0 0	
Plowman, H. T.	525 0 0	
Plowman, Charles	525 0 0	
Court of Chancery	525 0 0	
		2,100 0 0
Interest thereon—		
Plowman, G. H.—Interest	£56 6 3	
less Tax	1 5 4	
	55 0 11	
Plowman, H. T. ditto	55 0 11	
Carried forward ..	£110 1 10	2,100 0 0 ..

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ..	£110 1 10	2,100 0 0	..
Plowman, Charles ditto	55 0 11		
Court of Chancery ditto	55 0 11		
		220 3 8	
Phillips, J.—Stamp Duty—			
On Conveyance	£9 10 0		
„ Deed Poll	3 15 0		
		13 5 0	
Bond, J. G.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract		24 0 0	
			2,357 8 8
Stingo Lane Improvement.			
Re Buss—			
Buss, James—Purchase Money, Leasehold, No. 2, Little Harcourt-street		300 0 0	
Brown, William—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract ..		7 10 0	
Re Rehm—			
Dixon and Tempany—Taxed Costs of Arbitration		88 19 0	
Re Roberts, Junr.—			
Roberts, R. Junr.—Compensation for removal from Paradise-place		10 0 0	
			406 9 0
Thames Embankment, North.			
Re Horsman, and Horsman's Trustees—			
Chinnock, Galsworthy, and Chinnock—Surveyors' Charges on behalf of the Board			55 13 0
Mansion House Street.			
Re Graveyards—			
Marrable, F.—Surveyor's Charges on behalf of the Board—			
St. Nicholas Olave		26 3 0	
St. Mary Mount Haw		18 0 0	
St. Nicholas Cole Abbey		7 0 0	
			51 3 0
			£2,870 13 8

Your Committee have considered the letter, referred to them on the 29th ultimo (No. 45), from the Rev. J. W. Carter, Vicar of Christ Church, Stratford, asking the Board to grant him a site for a parsonage-house near the Northern Outfall Sewer, Stratford-road. Mr. Carter states that he has hitherto had to reside at some distance from the Church, but that he is now about to make an effort to obtain a parsonage-house close to the Church, and, as the first question is the one of site, he asks whether the Board would, considering the poverty of the district, the small value of the living, and the necessity of a clergyman residing in his parish, grant the two old cottages belonging to them, in the Stratford-road, for the purpose. These cottages were, with other property, taken by the Board at the time of diverting and carrying the Stratford-road over the Northern Outfall Sewer, and are situated in close proximity to Mr. Carter's Church. Your Committee have fully considered Mr. Carter's application, but they feel that the Board are empowered only to dispose of the property at its full market value, and consequently that they have no power to comply with the request. They recommend that a communication be addressed to Mr. Carter informing him to this effect.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter referred to them on the 29th ultimo (No. 39) from the Phœnix Gas Company, relative to the alleged accumulation of offensive deposit in the bed of the Effra Creek running through their premises at Vauxhall, and expressing their willingness to erect, at their own expense, a pair of gates

at the mouth of the Creek to form a basin, and, by the application of sluices, free it from the mud. A similar application to the present was made by the Company, through the Thames Conservators, in June 1865. The Company's Engineer was at the time seen upon the subject, and it was pointed out to him that, before the Board could give up the use of the present Creek for a storm outlet, this being in effect what was then and is now proposed, it would be necessary to make a storm outlet of equal capacity through the Company's premises directly into the Thames, the maintenance of this outlet in its present position in the Main Drainage system being of the greatest importance. As, however, it appeared that the Company were unwilling to incur the expense of making the new outlet, the application was not entertained by the Board. Your Committee have ascertained from the Engineer that, from an interview which he has had with the Company's Engineer since the receipt of the present letter, it is inferred that they are still unwilling to bear this expense, and, if this is the case, your Committee are of opinion that the Board should not consent to the execution of the works now proposed, as the erection of the gates at the mouth of the Creek would, in effect, cause it to be high water at all times at the outlet, thus destroying the latter for all the purposes of Board. Your Committee beg to recommend that the Company be informed, in reply to their letter, that, as they are not prepared to make a storm outlet of equal capacity, which would become necessary, through their premises direct into the Thames, the Board cannot consent to the execution of the works proposed.

Your Committee have further to report that, in anticipation of the great increase of traffic likely to arise on Wednesday, June 1st, the Derby day, it has seemed to them desirable that measures should be taken to prevent the occurrence of any accidents from the works of the new sewer now in course of construction in the Kennington-road. They have, therefore, given instructions to the Engineer to close the thoroughfare and its approaches on that day, and they beg to report the fact for the information of the Board.

Your Committee have considered the letter, referred by the Board on the 8th ultimo (No. 11), from the Board of Works for the Saint Olave District, requesting a contribution towards the cost of the purchase of property, in furtherance of the improvement in Tooley-street. The Board will remember that they have already, on two occasions, agreed to contribute towards the setting back of houses in this street, namely, the sum of £900 on the 7th May, 1869, in respect of the houses Nos. 60 and 61, and the sum of £627 10s. on the 29th October last, in respect of No. 63. The District Board now state that arrangements have been made for acquiring the several interests in Nos. 57, 58, 59, and 62, at a total net cost of £2,194 9s. 5d. Your Committee have had before them a report by the Superintending Architect, from which it appears that the total net cost of the whole of the property, Nos. 57 to 63 inclusive, amounts to £5,120, up to the present date, and that, credit being given for the sums already agreed to be contributed, the balance of the cost will be £2,065 for the houses Nos. 57, 58, 59, and 62. They are of opinion that the Board should contribute, in like proportion, towards the cost of the purchase of these houses, and they recommend that the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,032 10s., and that it be paid to the Board of Works for the St. Olave District, on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, urging the Board to re-consider their decision declining to contribute towards the improvement effected by the Commissioners in Threadneedle-street, at a cost of £13,982, referred by the Board on the 1st April last, (No. 5). Your Committee, in their former report, stated that it appeared to them that a compliance with the request of the Commissioners would be an infringement of the Standing Order of the Board of the 6th December, 1867, (No. 23), when the Board resolved not to entertain in future any application for a contribution to the cost of a local improvement, unless the improvement should have been submitted to them before being carried out. The Commissioners, in their present communication, urge that the improvement was carried out by them prior to the 6th December, 1867, and, in support of that statement, they give the following account of their proceedings in the matter—

That negotiations for purchasing the premises were commenced in September, 1864—

That the Court ordered compulsory notices to be served to take the premises No. 49, in .. July, 1865, and the house No. 50, in .. October, 1865.

That proceedings were then taken by one of the occupiers in the Court of Chancery, to restrain the Court from taking the whole of this property, and great delay was thus caused.

That the Freeholders were subsequently arranged with for the purchase-money of the Freeholds, which was paid in .. April, 1867.

That the Commissioners subsequently agreed with the Lessees to purchase their interests for the sum of £3,000, the Lessees agreeing to take a building lease of the residue of the land at a ground rent of £500 a-year, viz., on December 3rd, 1867, and the £3,000 was paid in the same month.

Your Committee have given their best attention to this communication, and they are still of opinion that it does not distinctly appear that the improvement was actually carried out previously to the passing of the resolution referred to. Independently of this point, however, your Committee, having considered the application on its merits, are not prepared to advise the Board to contribute towards the cost of the improvement. Your Committee beg to recommend that the Commissioners be informed to the foregoing effect, in reply to their letter.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT,
J. O. HALL,
ROBERT TAYLOR.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Rev. J. W. Carter be informed, in reply to his letter asking the Board to grant a site for a parsonage-house adjoining their main sewer at Stratford, that the Board have no power to grant such a request, and are empowered only to dispose of the property at its full market value.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Phœnix Gas Light and Coke Company be informed, in reply to their letter requesting the Board's sanction to their erecting, at their own expense, a pair of gates at the mouth of the Effra Creek, that, as the Company are not prepared to make a storm outlet, which would become necessary, through their premises direct into the Thames, the Board cannot consent to the execution of the works now proposed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the course taken by the Committee in instructing the Engineer to close the Kennington-road and the approaches thereto on Wednesday, the 1st June next (the Derby day), with a view to preventing accidents from the works of the new sewer now in course of construction, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do contribute one-half of the net cost of an improvement to be effected by the Saint Olave District Board, by setting back Nos. 57, 58, 59, and 62, Tooley-street; such contribution not to exceed the sum of £1,032 10s., and that it be paid to the Board of Works for the Saint Olave District, on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London be informed in reply to their letter, urging the Board to re-consider their decision refusing to contribute towards the improvement effected by the Commissioners in Threadneedle-street, that it does not appear distinctly that the improvement in question was actually carried out previously to the passing of the resolution of the 6th December, 1867, but that, independently of that point, the Board are not prepared, on the merits of the case, to contribute to the cost of the improvement.

12. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 20th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Thames Navigation Bill, having arrived at that part of the Bill relating to the discharge of sewage into the Thames, and having heard Counsel and evidence on the part of the promoters, have made the following suggestions for the consideration of this Board and the promoters, and have adjourned until Monday next to give time to the parties to arrive at a decision as to whether they will accept these suggestions, viz.—

The Metropolitan Board to appoint three Members on the Board of Conservancy.

A Committee of seven of the Conservancy Board so constituted to be appointed to superintend all dredging operations in the river below Teddington Lock.

The Committee to consist of the three Members so appointed by the Metropolitan Board; a Member appointed by the Board of Trade, one Member appointed by the Trinity House, and two Members to be appointed by the whole of the Conservancy Board.

The Committee to grant licenses for dredging, and not to take any fees for permitting dredging without the consent of at least two of the appointed Metropolitan Members.

The Metropolitan Board to pay such sum, either annually or otherwise, as may be necessary to meet the charge of removing deposits which have been or may be occasioned by the sewage, and which may be required to be removed for the proper navigation of the river.

In case any difference should arise under the last clause, it shall be decided by one or more referees appointed by both Boards, and in case of difference in nominating the referees, the referees shall be nominated by the Board of Trade.

Your Committee, having carefully considered these suggestions, are of opinion that the Board should express their willingness to accede to them. They, therefore, recommend that course for adoption, and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare clauses to be submitted to the Select Committee embodying their suggestions.

Your Committee have to report that they have had under further consideration the various Tramway Bills, and, in connection therewith, they have considered the resolution of the Board of the 25th March last, (No. 41), referring it to them to consider and report as to the position in which the parishes affected by the Tramways Act of last Session will be placed, in the event of the Government Tramways Bill passing. Your Committee have been in communication with the Secretary of the Board of Trade, and the agents of the Tramways Companies on the subject, and have expressed the desire of the Board that the provisions of the Government Bill should be extended to the Acts passed last Session (relating to both the north and the south of the Thames), as well as to such schemes as may be sanctioned by Parliament this year. Your Committee have stated that, upon that condition, the Board are willing that the Companies should proceed with the various lines south of the Thames, for which the sanction of Parliament is now sought, and with a proposed short extension in Whitechapel, also with certain specified lines on the north side of the Thames. It has been arranged that the clauses to make the provisions of the Government Bill apply to the Acts of last Session, shall be inserted in the Bills of the same Companies now before Parliament, and not in the Government measure. Your Committee have, however, reserved to the Board the liberty to submit to the Committee, to which the private Bills shall be referred, any special objections which they may entertain to any of the lines for which sanction is now sought.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the Board do accede to the suggestions made by the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Thames Navigation Bill, as set forth in the foregoing Report, and that the Solicitor do prepare clauses to be submitted to the Select Committee embodying their suggestions.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the proceedings of the Committee, with reference to the Tramways Bills, be approved and adopted.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th May, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
MILE END OLD TOWN.				
Greenfield-street and Turner-street, Commercial-road ..	275 360	12 inch. 15 ,,	Pipe. ,,	The same as applied for.
LEWISHAM.				
Fairlawn Park, Sydenham ..	135 1028	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″ 12 inch.	1 brick. Pipe.	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th May, 1870, on an application by the Vestry of St. Luke, Middlesex, for permission to stop up the under-mentioned thoroughfares for the periods and purpose therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
1870. 16 & 18 May.	Old-street	Repaving.	6 weeks.	6 weeks.	It is only intended to partially close this street for this period; arrangements being made, where requisite, for the diversion of the traffic through the side streets.
	Radnor-street, Rahere-street, King-street, Henry-street, Tabernacle-row, Bannerstreet, James-street, Ironmonger-street, Wood-street.	Relaying paving.	1 week each.	1 week each.	These are mostly bye-streets with but little traffic.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestry of St. Luke, Middlesex, for the purpose of executing paving works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th May, 1870, on a letter from the Lee Conservancy Board, calling attention to a recent discharge of sewage matter into the Bow River, from the storm-water outlet near the Great Eastern Railway Bridge, and requesting that steps might be taken to remedy the same; stating that the discharge arose from the taking down of a dam in the sewer, for the purpose of temporarily diverting the flow; that the dam had since been replaced, thus remedying the complaint, and recommending that the Conservancy Board be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th May, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contract, viz.—

Northern Outfall Sewer between East Ham-lane and Barking Creek, five wooden gates for approach roads over Outfall Sewer ..	£10 10 0
Great Queen-street, Lincoln's Inn-fields—One New Side Entrance to Sewer to facilitate cleansing operations	43 0 0
	£53 10 0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Works be executed accordingly the cost thereof being charged to the General Account.

17. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
20th May, 1870.

On letter from Mr. E. Wilson, dated 11th instant, submitting for approval certain alterations in designs for Bridges to carry the Great Eastern Railway over the Hackney and other roads.

In August, 1865, designs for several bridges to carry the Great Eastern Railway were submitted for approval by Mr. Sinclair, and were approved, subject to certain modifications which Mr. Wilson now embodies in drawings of four of such bridges.

The designs were submitted by Mr. Sinclair in accordance with the terms of the Company's Act of 1864; but the Company have now a Bill in Parliament for certain modifications, more particularly in respect of the levels of the Railway, and which affect that portion of the line in which these bridges will be situate. This Bill has now arrived at its third reading in the House of Lords, and it would appear undesirable to sanction designs submitted under the requirements of an Act of Parliament at a time when its provisions will, in all probability, be modified very shortly by a new Act.

I recommend, therefore, that approval be withheld until after the passing of the present Bill, and that the designs be, *pro formâ*, disapproved with this object, and that Mr. Wilson be informed to this effect, and be requested to submit designs in accordance with the terms of the present Bill, in the event of its passing into law.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Board do withhold their approval of the designs now submitted, and that a communication be addressed to Mr. Wilson in accordance with the recommendation of the Engineer.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th May, 1870, on a letter from Mr. C. Greaves, on behalf of the East London Water Works Company, applying for permission to connect an emptying pipe from their 36-inch main with the Ranelagh Sewer in the Uxbridge-road; recommending the Board to sanction a connection of the pipe with the tumbling-bay at the head of the Serpentine, and that the works be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Board's officers, and at the sole cost of the Company.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that permission be granted to the East London Water Works Company to connect an emptying pipe with the tumbling-bay at the head of the Serpentine, on condition that the works be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

19. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
20th May, 1870.

On letter from the Equitable Gas Company, applying for permission to lay a 14-inch main along the north side of the Embankment, between Whitehall and the eastern side of King's College.

The Company explain that this is requisite for maintaining a satisfactory supply of gas to those consumers who reside on the low part of the Company's district abutting on, or near to, the Embankment.

I recommend the Board to sanction the application, the main being laid under the direction and to the satisfaction of their officers, and at the sole cost of the Company.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

20. The Solicitor reported that, on Friday last, the Chancellor of the Exchequer had, in reply to a question by Mr. Holms, M.P., stated that it was the intention of Her Majesty's Govern-

ment to introduce their scheme for the preservation of Epping Forest during the present Session.

21. The Solicitor reported that the private Bills relating to Tramways stood for second reading this day.

22. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Railway Bill had been before the Committee of the House of Lords, and that the inquiry was concluded on Tuesday last; that the Board, the Corporation of the City of London, and the Whitechapel District Board, had been represented by Counsel, and had called various witnesses, and that, at the close of the case, the Chairman of the Committee had stated that their decision would be postponed until after the case of the Metropolitan District Railway had been heard.

23. The Solicitor also reported that the case of the Metropolitan District Railway Company's Bill had been opened before the Committee of the House of Lords on Wednesday last and was proceeding this day; that the Board, the Corporation of the City, the South Eastern Railway Company, the Rector of St. Mary, Aldermary, and the Metropolitan Railway Company, were each represented by Counsel, and that the case of the Company was not yet concluded.

24. The Solicitor also reported that the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Act Amendment Bill stood for second reading on the 31st instant and that the following petitions, copies of which he presented, had been lodged against it, viz., the Fishmongers' Company, the Clothworkers' Company, the London and North Western Railway Company, the Merchant Taylors' Company, the East and West India Docks Company, the Salters' Company, the Vintners' Company, Timber Merchants and others, and the Surrey Commercial Dock Company.

25. The Solicitor also reported that the House of Commons had rejected the motion, with regard to the Gas and Water Facilities Bill, to embrace the power to amalgamate in the Metropolis; that the Board's opposition had been successful; and that the Bill would be read a third time this day. The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of the Bill, as amended.

26. Read a Report as follows—

20th May, 1870.

INCLOSURE AMENDMENT BILL.

I have considered this Bill. It relates chiefly to providing and regulating allotments and recreation ground out of commonable lands, and also contains provisions relative to inclosures, but I do not set out the provisions in more detail, because it appears to me that practically the Bill is not drawn to have any operation within the Metropolitan Commons Act area. It does not in terms exclude that area, but the whole tenor of the Bill has reference to lands which are the subject of General Inclosure Acts, and probably it will only be necessary to watch the Bill so as to ascertain that in its future stages the character of the Bill shall not be altered. I present print.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill stood for second reading in the House of Lords this day, and he presented a printed copy of the Bill as sent to that House.

28. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the Kensington Road Improvement Bill, and reported that it was for the purpose of improving and diverting a certain part of the Kensington Road; that it did not appear to affect the Board, but that they might probably think it desirable for the Superintending Architect to report upon it to the Parliamentary Committee.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

29. The Solicitor reported that Sir W. Tite, M.P., had, in reply to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. Denison, stated the steps which the Board had taken for carrying out the Park Lane Improvement, since the Act received the Royal Assent in July last.

30. The Solicitor also reported that the Municipal Boroughs (Metropolis) Bill had been, after some discussion, read a second time on Wednesday last, and referred to a Select Committee; and that the second reading of the Corporation of London Bill and the County of London Bill stood deferred until Monday next.

31. The Solicitor also reported that the following notice of motion had been given by Mr. William Henry Smith, M.P.—"To move that an humble address be presented to Her "Majesty praying that She will be pleased to direct that no buildings be erected on that portion

"of the Thames Embankment which is reserved to the Crown, and which has been reclaimed "from the river at the cost of the ratepayers of the metropolis."

Resolved—That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, to watch the proceedings on the foregoing notice.

32. The Solicitor also reported that Mr. Eastwick's motion in the House of Commons for an inquiry by the Select Committee on the Thames Navigation Bill into the proceedings and present position of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, and the question of the disposal of the Sewage of London, had been negatived.

33. The Solicitor also reported that the following notice in the House of Commons, by Mr. Fawcett, M.P., stood for this day, viz.—"Address for Return of all the Inclosures com- "pleted since the Inclosure Act of 1845; stating in separate columns the name and locality "of each Common inclosed, the total acreage of each, the number of acres allotted re- "spectively to the Lords of the Manors, to the Commoners, to public recreation grounds, and "to allotments to the labouring poor; in the Return those Commons should be indicated "which would have come within the provisions of the Metropolitan Commons Act, or within "the provisions of the Suburban Commons Bill, now before Parliament; in each Inclosure "the name of the Lord or Lords of the Manor to be given."

34. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary before the next meeting of the Board to affix the Seal to petitions on behalf of the Board against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting of the Board.

35. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Lords of the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill, stood for Tuesday next, and he presented a print of the Bill as brought into that House.

36. The Solicitor also reported that the Thames Embankment, North, Viaduct Roadway Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords last night and committed, and that a petition had been presented against the same.

37. The Solicitor reported that, for the purpose of prosecutions under the bye-laws relating to Finsbury and Southwark Parks, it was necessary that the Seal of the Board should be affixed to the copy of the bye-laws approved by the Secretary of State, and to a duplicate copy of such bye-laws, in order that they might be produced in evidence, and he laid before the Board the copy of the bye-laws in question, and also a duplicate copy of the bye-laws relating to Finsbury Park.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said bye-laws and duplicate copy; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

38. The Solicitor reported that the Court of Error, consisting of seven judges, had decided by a majority of one, in the case of the Board *v.* the Duke of Buccleuch, in favour of the Board, and he suggested that he should be authorised to obtain a full note of the judgment.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do obtain a note of the judgment.

39. Read a Report as follows—

LOANS STAMPS.

I have to report that after communication with the Solicitor of Inland Revenue, the Solicitor and Governor of the Bank of England, and Mr. Reilly, I was enabled to intimate to the Secretary of the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the Draft Bill was approved by the Inland Revenue.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer was kind enough that same evening to give notice for the necessary Resolution, and it was resolved in a Committee of the House last night that the Bill be allowed to be brought in.

May 20th, 1870. (Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

40. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
19th May, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to licenses for storing petroleum for sale.

In the accompanying schedule there are four applications for licenses.

All the premises having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that licenses be granted till the end of December.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

The list of applications, in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted, was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That Licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of seven calendar months and eleven days, from the 20th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantities to be kept, in gallons.	Storage
Camberwell	Ensworth Richard	15,128	1, Wellington Road, Warner road	5	Shed P. d.
Islington	Hunt, John	15,129	23, Dame Street	5	Brick store P. d.
Lewisham	Butcher, W.	13,197	14, Spencer Place, Blackheath	5	Shop btls.
St. George, Hanover Square	Arkell, Alexr.	12,413	291, Oxford Street	10	Recess, cellar P.d.

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

41. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 13th instant, (No. 11), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the Local Authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Hamilton-road	Lambeth.
Clive-road	Do.
Dalhousie-road	Do.
Carnac-street	Do.
Paxton-lane	Do.
Grant-road, &c.	Wandsworth.
Counter-street, &c.	St. Saviour's.
Green-street, &c.	Do.
John's-hill	St. George-in-the-East.
Church-gardens	Do.
Lower Gun-alley	Do.
Salter's-alley	Do.
Lower Well-alley	Do.
Meeting House-alley	Do.
Anchor and Hope-alley	Do.
Little Cadogan-place	Chelsea.
New-road, &c.	Do.
Maxwell-road, &c.	Fulham.
Halkin-terrace	Chelsea.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

42. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Dewell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay windows, two storeys in height, and a portico in front of St. Ann's Lodge, Peckham Rye, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

43. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Sloman, for the permission of the Board to retain a temporary building recently constructed at the entrance to Cremorne Gardens, in Lot's-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the building be removed by the applicant at the expiration of six months from this date.

44. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. A. W. Shove, for the consent of the Board to bring forward his house, No. 6, London-street, in a line with the adjoining house, No. 7, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

45. Lambeth.—The Board considered further the application of Mr. W. F. Meakin for their consent to the erection of a shop in the Wandsworth-road, adjourned on the 6th instant (No. 61).

Read a further Report by the Superintending Architect thereon, dated 17th May, 1870.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop be brought out to a distance of four feet from the inner line of the existing footway; that it be limited in height to 15 feet 6 inches; that the intervening space of four feet between the proposed shop front and the present footway be given up and added to the public way previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Decimus Gylby, for the consent of the Board to retain a bay window, constructed of wood, in front of the house, No. 183, Upper Kennington-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

47. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Farmer, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay windows in front of Rose-cottage, Hamlet-road, Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

48. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Quennell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of the houses, Nos. 52 and 54, East-street, Walworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the application be not granted.

49. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Puttick, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of the public house situate at the corner of Park-place and East-street, Walworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. C. Stuart Barker—That the application be not granted.

50. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. John Apsey and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window, to project three feet, in front of the house, No. 32, Westbourne-park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed bay window do not exceed one storey in height, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. C. Banks, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops at

the corner of Clarendon-road and High-road, Lee, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee when the subject shall be considered.

52. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Hawkins, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft, at the premises, No. 94, East-lane.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

53. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. Carter, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of an existing chimney shaft at St. James's Steam Flour Mills, Hatcham.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the District Surveyor be satisfied with the soundness and stability of the present structure; that the proposed works be executed to his satisfaction, and that the shaft be only raised to such height as the District Surveyor shall, during the progress of the works, determine.

54. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Williams and Son, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the Colour Mills, Brewery-road, Caledonian-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

55. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Hudson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the premises of Mr. A. Clough, Three Mill-lane, Bromley-by-Bow.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the brickwork of the shaft be $2\frac{1}{2}$ bricks thick up to the level of the string course (a. a. on Plan), that the foundation be enlarged and prepared accordingly, and that the superstructure be raised to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

56. St. Saviour's, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. G. H. Wilson and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of an iron and brick chimney-shaft at No. 28, Bankside.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

57. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. W. Prust and G. White, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of Duncan-square, and for certain lines of building frontage.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

58. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Vigers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three roads in continuation of Ashmore-road, Shirland-road, and Fernhead-road, on the St. Peter's Park Estate.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

59. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1870, to the effect that he had received information from Mr. Horace Field, District Surveyor of Putney and Rochampton, that the new road at Rochampton, called Medfield-street, sanctioned by the

Board on the 25th February last (No. 64), on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, on behalf of Earl Spencer, was being laid out so as not to be of the width of forty feet without taking in a portion of the Putney Heath Common land.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, with power to take such steps as may be necessary to enforce the Order of the Board, and also to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee to prevent encroachment on the Common land.

60. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. J. Lough, that the name of the street called Cook's-ground might be altered to "Glebe-place."

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

61. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Pollard, for the incorporation of Hanover-place with Hanover-square, Kennington.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

62. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, with reference to the proposed re-naming and re-numbering of Limes-grove, suggesting that, as the Board had, on the 22nd April last (No. 16), directed that the Order for changing the name to "De Legh-street" should not be acted upon, the name "Limes-grove North" should be abolished, and the houses renumbered.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

63. St. Saviour's, Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on a complaint by Mr. J. Millikin, of No. 12, Southwark-street, that the number of his house had been appropriated by another person.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

64. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1870, on a letter from Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, resigning his appointment as District Surveyor of Greenwich.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That Mr. John Whichcord, District Surveyor of Deptford, be, and he is hereby, appointed to act as District Surveyor for the District of Greenwich, until the vacancy in that District shall be filled up,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the subject of the vacancy caused by Mr. Browne's resignation be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

65. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Ridgway, on behalf of Mr. C. Wynne, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an addition to a photographic studio at the premises, No. 267, Fulham-road, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

66. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Odden, on behalf of the Rev. J. W. Todd, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a bridge to connect his house with the office buildings, Tudor Hall, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

67. St. Luke, Old Street.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Dines and Banderet, on behalf of Messrs. Whitbread and Co., for approval by the Board of a Plan for the re-construction of two furnace chimney-shafts at their brewery in Chiswell-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundations of the proposed shafts be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor according to law, that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction, and that the firebricks proposed to be inserted above the level of the floor of the boiler house be worked independently of the shafts.

68. The Clerk laid before the Board a Memorial from inhabitants of Victoria-road, Finchley New-road, asking the Board to re-consider their Resolution of the 13th instant with reference to the re-naming of that road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the subject of the re-naming of the road in question be referred to the Building Act Committee, for re-consideration and report, and that the above-mentioned Memorial be also referred to the Committee.

69. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That a Return be prepared, in continuation of the Return presented to the Board on the 16th April, 1869, (No. 38), showing the amounts which the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis have, between the 1st January, 1869, and the 1st January, 1870, obtained the sanction of this Board to borrow; the purposes for which the Loans have been required; the rates of interest to be paid for the same, and the periods within which the amounts were to be repaid.

70. The Board considered further the Report of the Building Act Committee, adjourned on Friday last (No. 11), recommending—

That Church Street, Southwark, be incorporated with York-street, and the houses re-numbered.

That Barge-house-street be incorporated with Upper Ground-street, Blackfriars, and the houses re-numbered.

That Hopkins-row be incorporated with James-street, Westminster, and the houses re-numbered.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the subject of the re-naming and re-numbering of Church-street, Southwark, Barge-house-street, and Hopkins-row be referred back to the Committee for re-consideration and report.

71. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Legg, pursuant to notice—"That the present method of "paying the weekly wages of the Board's servants be referred to the Works and General "Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, in connection with the reference already "made to them as to the payment of the labourers in the Board's Parks."

72. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. Layton, Vestry Clerk, Islington, dated 14th May, 1870, with a copy of a resolution of the Vestry, requesting the Board to re-name James-street, St. Peter's, "Frome-street," and to re-number the houses therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

73. The Clerk presented a notice from Mr. P. H. Lawrence, dated 14th May, 1870, of intended application to Parliament with reference to the Kensington Road Improvement Bill.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

74. The Clerk laid before the Board the following communication—

Board of Works for the Strand District.

Report of the Committee appointed by the Strand District Board of Works on the Bills in Parliament introduced by Mr. Buxton, affecting Metropolitan Management.

Your Committee are of opinion that many serious objections exist with regard to the Bills generally, and especially that the proposed transfer, from the present Boards and Vestries, of the large amount of work now done by them, to the smaller number of the so-called Councillors proposed to be elected under the Bills in question, is unreasonable, and would inevitably deprive the Districts of that supervision and information which local residence can alone supply.

As one instance, the work that at present is placed under the supervision of the Strand District Board of Works, is the care of the paving of ten miles and a quarter of streets, courts, lanes, &c., which, for due inspection, involve a travel of at least thirty miles.

The constant opening of the roadway by Gas and Water Companies also exacts more than ordinary attention.

Beneath each street and court is a sewer of equal length therewith; consequently, with the ten miles and a quarter of surface, there are ten miles and a quarter of sewers, which sewers, from time to time, require renewal and repair.

There are 663 public lamps to be regulated as to illumination, position, and management; besides the exercise of a discretion with regard to nearly 700 private lamps.

The watering and sweeping of the district also require constant observation.

In this district there were, in 1861, 4,074 houses, of which, taking the average of three years (1867, 1868, and 1869), there were thoroughly inspected, for sanitary purposes, 1,852 in each year; and, in each year, there were also works of sanitary improvement done, by special order of the Board given to the Officer of Health in each case, in 1,201 houses. The constant vigilance for the removal of dust from all the houses, but especially from those in the poorer neighbourhoods, renders continual appeals to local knowledge necessary.

In the Strand District the number of persons, to whom the supervision of the above works is entrusted, is 49; but, under the proposed Bills, giving due allowance for the proportion of numbers, this work will be entrusted to seven: who, in addition to the onerous duty of supervision, will have to impose the Rates, to raise the funds necessary, and see that they are properly expended—duties which your Committee consider so small a number can scarcely be expected properly to fulfil. The drafting of two-thirds of this number to the Central Board will make the above objection still more potent.

The statistics above given offer a fair example of the change proposed to be made throughout the whole Metropolis. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the work will not be done so effectually as at present, or so economically, as there must be a great increase in the number of paid officers. Nor do they think that the abolition of a large body from all ranks of the community, and the substitution of a small one, in the imposition of Rates, will favour a quiet acceptance of local burdens in time of pressure.

In reference to the present constitution of the Metropolitan Board of Works, your Committee are of opinion that a large increase of the number of its Members would be beneficial to the Metropolis, by increasing the efficiency of the Board, especially if such increase were supplied by direct vote of the Ratepayers.

Your Committee are further of opinion that any abatement of the social position of the Lord Mayor of London, as representative of the manufacturing interests of the Metropolis, would be detrimental to the interests of the middle classes of society.

In conclusion, your Committee are not aware of any proved necessity for the proposed interference with the settlement effected by the Metropolis Local Management Act of Sir Benjamin Hall.

(Signed) JNO. JONES, Chairman,
S. BONSOR,
C. HOBBS.

Board Offices, No. 5, Tavistock-street, Covent Garden, May 10th, 1870.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 27th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 20.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **27th** day of **May**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Thomas Turner, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.	John Runtz, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Sir William Tite, M.P.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 20th instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation, introduced by Mr. Richardson, from the parishes of Greenwich and Deptford, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Miller, Vicar of Greenwich, the churchwardens of Greenwich and Deptford, the Rev. V. Sketchley, Rector of St. Nicholas, Deptford, the Rev. B. S. Ffinch, Rector of Deptford, the Rev. B. Davies, Admiral Hamilton, and Messrs. Soames, C. H. Allworth, Avery, Clifford, Dalgell, Norfolk, Spencer, Lovibond, Shute, Berry, Rook, Larking, P. Williams, Shallers, Halsey, Saw, Arnold, Sidney, Burtram, Bell, Clemenson, Clark, J. Brown, Brocklebank, Glevis, H. Pook, Heasler, Whiteway, Watsford, Orchard, Carr, Holding, Stocker, Humphrey, Price, Hooper, Belben, Austen, Noble, Pearce, B. Hills, Tattershall, J. Edwards, Hume, Richardson, H. Welsh, Hutchinson, Burton, Birt, Clemenson, Sydney, Dalziel, and G. Allworth, and E. W. James, Vestry Clerk of Greenwich, attended the Board and presented a Memorial on the subject of the proposed Storm Outlet in Deptford Creek, which was read.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support of the memorial,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said Memorial be received, and entered on the minutes of proceedings of this day, and it is entered accordingly.

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of Inhabitants of the Towns of Greenwich and Deptford assembled at a Public Meeting held in the Lecture Hall, Royal Hill, in the parish of Greenwich, on Wednesday, the Twenty-fifth day of May, 1870.

Respectfully Sheweth—

That your Memorialists having heard with dismay that it is in contemplation by your Honourable Board, not only to continue the present Outlets from the Main Sewers into Deptford Creek, but also to construct an additional outlet or overflow of enormous dimensions from the Pumping Station at Greenwich into a lower part of the same stream, are unanimously of opinion that the proposed additional outlet like those actually in operation, although stated to be discharging Storm Water only from the Sewers, would be largely mingled with Sewage and foul matter, which being deposited on the sides and shores of the Creek would be fraught with most dangerous consequences from the exhalation of offensive effluvia highly injurious to the health of the inhabitants of the towns of Deptford and Greenwich, and detrimental to the value of property therein.

That your Memorialists on the part of the inhabitants of Greenwich and Deptford deem it incumbent on them to remonstrate with your Honourable Board, and in the strongest terms to protest against the proposed construction of an additional storm outlet or overflow from the Pumping Station on the Greenwich side of Deptford Creek, as such outlets have been found to be the cause of very serious nuisance, and which the Legislature has expressly and imperatively directed your Honourable Board in the construction of the Main Drainage Works to guard against and prevent by every means in your power.

Your Memorialists, therefore, pray your Honourable Board to adopt some other means of getting rid of excessive quantities of water and sewage in the main sewers on the south side of London than by constructing outlets or overflows to discharge foul water, sulliage, and offensive matter into the River Ravensbourne and Deptford Creek, and thereby causing great nuisance, damage, and annoyance to the inhabitants of so large a district of the Metropolis.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) JOHN C. MILLER, D.D., Vicar of Greenwich, Chairman.

By Order and on behalf of the Meeting.

3. This being the day appointed for the election of a District Surveyor for the District of St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, the Clerk laid before the Board the applications which had been received from candidates.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage —That the number of Candidates be reduced by one vote to six; that the names be then put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the Candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage —That the appointment of District Surveyor be subject to the condition, that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of Fees by the Board, or from any change of system which may be adopted, either as to the office, its duties, or emoluments, or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of Districts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage —That, in the event of a Candidate who already holds a similar position being elected, he be required to resign his previous appointment.

The names of the Candidates were then read, as follows—

Name.	Age.	Address.
Allom, Arthur ..	41	5, Parliament-street.
Clarkson, J. ..	31	Ormond Chambers, 36, Great Ormond-street.
Drury, Edward D.	28	35, Bucklersbury.
Fletcher, B. ..	36	24, Bedford-square.
Forge, J. W. ..	30	34, St. Mary-at-Hill, Eastcheap.
Foulsham, C. ..	32	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.

Name.	Age.	Address.
Godwin, Sidney ..	41	24, Alexander-square, S.W.
Gould, C. A. ..	43	20, Great George-street, Westminster.
Gundry, Horace ..	29	13, John-street, Adelphi.
Hayward, C. F. ..	39	20, Montague-street.
Hilton, John G. ..	46	3, Victoria-street, Westminster.
James, Robert C. .	29	11, Southampton-row, W.C.
Innes, Charles ..	44	27, Queen-street, City.
Lansdown, George	36	2 and 3, Warwick-street.
Mathews, J. T. ..	32	10, Cloak-lane.
Notley, Robert P.	31	55, Gracechurch-street.
Piper, Wilson, T. .	41	1, Plowden-buildings, Temple.
Plumbe, Rowland	33	18, Fitzroy-square.
Quilter, John S. ..	28	9, Conduit-street.
Raiman, Thomas H.	29	Lawn House, Greenwich.
Ridge, Lacy W. ..	30	23, Bedford-row.
Roberts, Edward. .	49	25, Parliament-street.
Salter, Stephen, Jun.	44	28, Woburn-place, Russell-square.
Tabberer, Benjamin	38	16, Basinghall-street.
Waine, William ..	35	Albert-road, South Norwood.
Woodward, John A. J.	30	Finsbury-circus.

It appearing that Mr. Plumbe and Mr. Raiman were not present,

Resolved—That their names be struck out from the list.

The names of the remaining Candidates were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

	VOTES.		VOTES.
Mr. Arthur Allom	0	Mr. Charles Innes	5
„ J. Clarkson	7	„ George Lansdown	17
„ Edward D. Drury.....	27	„ J. T. Mathews	14
„ B. Fletcher	15	„ Robert P. Notley.....	19
„ J. W. Forge.....	2	„ Wilson, T. Piper	20
„ C. Foulsham.....	10	„ John S. Quilter	7
„ Sidney Godwin	14	„ Lacy W. Ridge	7
„ C. A. Gould	17	„ Edward Roberts	8
„ Horace Gundry	18	„ Stephen Salter, Jun.	9
„ C. F. Hayward.....	21	„ Benjamin Tabberer	24
„ John G. Hilton.....	9	„ William Waine	2
„ Robert C. James	7	„ John A. J. Woodward	26

The Board then proceeded with the election by a show of hands taken successively for each of the six Candidates having the largest number of votes, as above, the name of the Candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting as follows—

	1st Show of Hands.	2nd Show of Hands.	3rd Show of Hands.	4th Show of Hands.	5th Show of Hands.
Mr. Drury	28	30	30	34	35
„ Hayward	16	18	15	14	—
„ Notley	17	13	—	—	—
„ Piper	14	—	—	—	—
„ Tabberer	24	21	23	23	5
„ Woodward	20	16	12	—	—

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. Edward D. Drury be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Saint Margaret and Saint John the Evangelist and the Close of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster.

Mr. Drury was then called, and the Resolution passed this day, precluding him from claiming compensation in case of any diminution of income, &c., having been read to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such resolution, and, in reply to a question by the Chairman, he also stated that he would personally discharge the duties of the office.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the Clerk do send a copy of the above-mentioned resolution to Mr. Drury, and request him to intimate, in writing, his acceptance of the conditions expressed therein.

4. Mr. Dresser Rogers handed in a communication which was read as follows—

Vestry Hall, Camberwell, S.E., May 23rd, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry to send you a copy of a Resolution in reference to the "Municipal Bill" now pending in Parliament.

I am, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq. (Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN.

Vestry Hall, Camberwell, S.E.

Extract of the Minutes of the Vestry of St. Giles, Camberwell, held on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1870.

MOVED by Mr. Middlemass, seconded by Mr. Gull, and Resolved—"That this Vestry is of opinion that the Parish of Camberwell, with its area of 4,342 acres, a rateable value of £451,664 per annum, a revenue of £100,000, and a population of 100,000 souls is entitled to a separate corporate existence in any future redistribution of the metropolis for municipal purposes."

5. Mr. Dixon handed in a Memorial which was read as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Limehouse District.

SHEWETH—

That for continuing the widening and improving of Wapping-street, within the Limehouse District, your Memorialists have determined to purchase certain houses and premises, comprising Nos. 101, 102, 103 (called "The Gun"), 124 (called "The Black Boy"), and Nos. 125 and 126, Wapping-street, situate between Church-street and Brewhouse-lane, and propose to widen the said street to an additional width in one part of ten feet, and in the other part of fourteen feet, which proposed widening and improvement are shown upon the Plan accompanying this Memorial, and coloured red, and are estimated to cost the sum of nine thousand six hundred and twenty-two pounds, exclusive of all legal and other expenses.

Your Memorialists beg to call the attention of your Board to the loss and inconvenience daily sustained by the public generally in consequence of the delay caused by the narrow width of Wapping-street, and to the great and increasing traffic to and from the wharves and premises along the river side, in Wapping and Shadwell, and which the before-mentioned improvements, as far as they extend, will tend to remedy.

Your Memorialists would urge your Board to take into consideration the great benefits conferred upon a large portion of the trade of the Metropolis generally by the said proposed widening and improvements, and respectfully request that your Board will contribute one half of the said estimated amount, which was done in the case of widening Wapping-street, opposite premises, Nos. 98, 99, and 100, and in the case of widening the same street opposite, Nos. 104, 104A, 105, 106, 107, 108, and 109, which form part of the before-mentioned improvement.

All which your Memorialists beg to submit.

The Seal of the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, affixed the 25th of May, 1870, in the presence of

(L.S.)

(Signed) THOS. W. RATCLIFF, Clerk of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dixon—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Read a letter from Mr. W. Hammond, Clerk to the Hornsey Local Board, dated 25th May, 1870, requesting this Board to receive a Deputation on the subject of the admission of the drainage of Hornsey into their sewers.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the proposed Deputation be received on Friday next, and that Mr. Hammond be so informed.

7. Read a letter from Mr. I. N. Crookenden, Secretary to the Phœnix Gas Company, dated 25th May, 1870, on the subject of the Company's proposal to erect gates at the mouth of the Effra Creek at Vauxhall, and expressing their willingness, if the Board would permit them to erect the gates, to undertake either to open the sluices therein, or the gates themselves, when found necessary.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

8. The Clerk presented a notice from Mr. J. F. Hunt, Secretary to the Metropolitan Street Tramways Company, dated 25th May, 1870, of the intention of the Company to commence at the expiration of 14 days from the date of the notice, the works in respect of the Tramways, Nos. 4 and 4A, authorised by the Metropolitan Street Tramways Act, 1869, and requesting the Board, within the said 14 days, to express their approval or disapproval of the said works.

Resolved—That the said notice be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, and report to the Board on Friday next.

9. The Board considered further the Report of the Finance Committee, adjourned on Friday last (No. 7), submitting a Return, prepared in pursuance of the 49th Section of the Board's Loans' Act, showing, up to the 25th March last, the amount of Consolidated Stock; the application of the money raised by such Stock; the sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund; the application of the Consolidated Loans Fund; and an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Board for all purposes, for the year ending 25th March, 1871.

The Clerk laid before the Board the Return in question, presented to the Board on Friday last.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Meaden—"That the said Return "be approved, and transmitted to the Treasury for presentation to both Houses of Parlia- "ment, in accordance with the 49th Section of the Loans' Act."

10. Mr. Roche brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD.

Spring Gardens, 23rd May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the resolutions of the Board of the 29th April last (No. 21), in which the Board expressed the opinion that it was desirable that there should be one Central Municipal Government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis, and that there should be a re-adjustment of the districts into which the Metropolis is at present divided for the purposes of local government; and referred the subject back to the Committee, for further consideration as to the details, with authority to communicate with Her Majesty's Government thereon, and report the same for the consideration of the Board. Your Committee deemed it advisable previously to going into the details of the question, to see the Home Secretary, and place before him the resolution at which the Board had arrived, in order that he might be acquainted with their views on the main point when the motion for the second reading of the Municipal Bills came on for discussion. They accordingly waited upon him on Tuesday last, the 17th instant, for this purpose. The Chairman of the Board, who headed the deputation, reminded the Secretary of State of the interview which the Board had had with him last year on the same subject. He stated that since that time public opinion had progressed, and that in the Bills now before Parliament there was a modification of some of the provisions of the Bills of last Session—that, for instance, the proposed establishment of a Mayor, Aldermen, and Council, as the governing body of each borough was abandoned, and a simpler organisation substituted. It was still proposed, however, that there should be one central municipal authority, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis. The Chairman stated that the principle involved in this proposition appeared to the Board to be a sound one, but that there was much in the Bills that would require modification. The Chairman reminded the Home Secretary that, on the occasion of an interview with him on the subject of

the water supply of the Metropolis, he (Mr. Bruce) had stated it to be the intention of Her Majesty's Government to allow the Bills to be read a second time, and referred to a Select Committee with a view to collecting such facts and opinions as might form a basis for subsequent legislation; and that Mr. Bruce had at the same time expressed his desire to be made acquainted with the views of the Board and of the Corporation of the City of London as to the future local government of the Metropolis. The Chairman stated that the Board had consequently addressed themselves to the consideration of the question, but had felt the great difficulties in the way of its solution, arising from the position of the City Corporation, and its antagonism (instances of which were cited by Sir John) to all legislative improvements originating with the Board. That the Board had felt that, in the interests of the Metropolis, that antagonism must in some way be terminated, and had passed a resolution to the effect that in their opinion there ought to be one central municipal government, with jurisdiction over the whole Metropolis. The Chairman pointed out that there were two proposals for dealing with the matter, one contained in the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the local government of the Metropolis in 1867, the other, which might be considered the more comprehensive, for extending over the whole Metropolis the powers, privileges and funds now enjoyed by the Corporation. The Chairman concluded by saying that there were, of course, many other points to be settled, for example, the question of the future management of the police, the subordinate organisation of the local boards, and their relation to the central authority, all of which would have to be considered in Committee, and upon which, doubtless, Her Majesty's Government would be desirous of obtaining information.

The Home Secretary said that he was much obliged to the deputation, and was glad to avail himself of their practical experience, as well as through them to obtain the opinions of the ratepayers. He thought he gathered generally that there was a strong desire for one central authority, but the difficulty which occurred to him was, how the powers should be apportioned as between it and the local bodies, the Metropolis being of too vast extent to be dealt with under the Municipal Corporations Act. Understanding that the Board had appointed a Committee to consider the details of the question, the Government would be glad to have their views as to the apportionment of jurisdiction between the central and the local bodies. Nothing, Mr. Bruce said, would be, in his opinion, more fatal to good government than ten distinct corporations. It would be for the Committee to consider whether the number of parishes and districts into which the Metropolis was at present divided under the Metropolis Local Management Act might not be advantageously reduced. The object, of course, was to attract gentlemen of greater local influence. On this point the Home Secretary said he should be glad to receive any suggestions from the Board. With regard to the police, Mr. Bruce was of opinion that it ought to be under one management for the whole Metropolis, and he could not conceive any other authority than the Imperial Government being responsible for the peace of the capital. Mr. Bruce stated that he had always found that the Board considered questions referred to them in a broad general spirit, and that he felt sure that they would be of much service in informing the Select Committee of the House of Commons. Pressed as the Government were with matters of urgent importance, it was, during the present Session, impossible for them to give the necessary attention to the subject, and they had, therefore, agreed to refer it to a Select Committee, in order that Parliament might hear the objections on either side. Mr. Bruce thought that there was no chance of the Committee reporting in time for legislation this Session, but he was anxious for, and should look forward to, further communication from the Board when they should have had an opportunity of considering the details of the question.

Your Committee beg to report what took place at the interview, for the information of the Board, and they propose now to enter on the consideration of the details, in accordance with the terms of the reference made to them by the Board.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ROBT. FREEMAN,
W. H. DALTON,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said Report be printed, and circulated among the Members of the Board, and that 12 copies thereof be sent to each Vestry and District Board in the Metropolis.

11. The Board considered further the Report of the Works and General Purposes Committee, adjourned on the 13th instant (No. 9), stating that, having carefully considered the Memorial from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, on the subject of the proposed additional storm outlet in Deptford Creek, they saw no reason to alter the decision at which they had already arrived, namely, to construct the additional storm outlet, and recommending that a communication be addressed to the District Board to that effect.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Report be approved and adopted.

After discussion, the motion was, by leave of the Board withdrawn, and

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the matter be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, and that the Memorial presented to the Board this day by the Deputation from Greenwich and Deptford on the subject be also referred to the Committee.

12. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 23rd May, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Cookes' Trustees—		
Humphrys, W. C., Chute, W. L. W., and Cookes, Rev. H. W.—Purchase-money, Freehold, Land at Crossness .	50 0 0	
Jemmett and Rastrick—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	15 0 0	
Thynne and Thynne—Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ..	5 5 0	
	———	70 5 0
Re Goldsmid—		
Goldsmid, Julian—Purchase-money, Leasehold, Land at Crossness	35 0 0	
Stephens and Langdale—Costs of Title and Assignment ..	2 2 0	
Beadel, W. J., and F.—Surveyors' Fee, as per Contract ..	3 3 0	
	———	40 5 0
Mansion House Street.		
Re Chaplin—		
Rogers, J. & C. & W.—Costs of Mr. H. A. Hunt's Award, No. 25, Bucklersbury		39 18 0
		£150 8 0

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the communication from the Strand District Board, with reference to the Norfolk Street Station of the Metropolitan District Railway Company. The District Board represent that the building will tend to obstruct the free circulation of air, and deprive the public of a view of the river, and they urge on this Board to interpose their influence to prevent or stop the said erection, or take such other steps as they may see fit to reduce the height of the building. The Engineer, in accordance with the instructions of the Board, has reported to your Committee upon this matter, and, from measurements which have been taken, the building appears to have been erected in conformity with the drawing referred to in the Act, and, as regards the general design, it agrees with the one approved by the Board, except that the parapet is closed,

instead of being balustraded. Your Committee consider it desirable that this should be altered, and they recommend—

> That the Metropolitan District Railway Company be required to remove the parapet wall erected at the Norfolk Street Station, and to substitute a balustrade in conformity with the plans approved by the Board.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of arrangements being made for the disposal of the two cottages in the Stratford-road, belonging to the Board. The Engineer has reported to your Committee that one of the cottages is empty, and that Mr. Anderson, formerly District Clerk of Works in the employ of the Board, who is in temporary occupation of the other cottage, has been informed that he must at once give up possession. There is, therefore, your Committee think, no reason why the cottages should not be disposed of, and they recommend that they be disposed of by public competition, and that it be referred back to your Committee to make the necessary arrangements for that purpose.

Your Committee have also considered the report of the Engineer on a letter from the Equitable Gas Company, applying for permission to lay a 14-inch main along the north side of the Embankment, between Whitehall and the eastern end of King's College, referred by the Board on the 20th instant, (No. 19). The Company explain that this is requisite for maintaining a satisfactory supply of gas to those consumers who reside on the low part of their district, abutting on, or near to the Embankment. Your Committee have carefully considered this application, but they do not think it desirable that the required permission should be given, and they, therefore, recommend that the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the question of opening the Thames Embankment between Westminster and Blackfriars Bridges. Your Committee deem it probable that, if the completion of the Railway works in the new street is waited for, a considerable delay will take place, and the public be for some time longer deprived of the use of the Embankment. Under these circumstances, your Committee think that the Board would do well to open the Embankment at the earliest possible period; and they recommend that course for adoption, and that it be referred back to the Committee, to make the necessary arrangements.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, acknowledging the receipt of the letter from this Board of the 22nd March last, and enclosing a plan showing the Canal Bridge in Plough-lane, the roads of approach to it, and the boundaries of adjacent parishes, and asking for a definite reply to his letter of the 5th March on the subject of the improvement of the bridge in question, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 6). It may be remembered that the Vestry originally asked the Board to take up the Improvement as one of a Metropolitan character, but the Board, on the 18th February last (No. 8), directed, on the recommendation of your Committee, that the Vestry should be informed that as they were not prepared to contribute to the cost of the Improvement, the Board could not entertain the request. A letter was subsequently received from the Vestry to the effect that they had not stated that they were not prepared to contribute, and requesting to be informed whether a Vestry or District Board could contribute to the cost of Improvements out of their Parish or District. In reply to this letter the Vestry were informed that, before any decided opinion could be expressed on the point referred to, it was necessary that the exact boundaries of the three parishes of Kensington, Willesden, and Chelsea, so far as they have relation to the proposed improvement, should be ascertained. In reply, the Vestry have forwarded a plan showing the bridge, the roads of approach, and the adjacent boundaries of parishes, and they now ask for a more decided opinion by the Board on the subject. Your Committee have conferred with the Solicitor on this matter, and they have received from him a report, in which he states that the words of the 72nd section of the Act of 1862 exclude the notion that any bridge not within the Parish can come within the Act, but he intimates that it might be worth while for the Chelsea Vestry to take Counsel's opinion as to what might be the effect of the 80th section of the 57 George 3. c. 29, in connection with the 72nd section of the Act

of 1862. Your Committee beg to submit the report of the Solicitor and they recommend that a copy of it be forwarded to the Vestry of Chelsea.

Your Committee have also considered the letters from the Vestry of Chelsea, referred by the Board on the 18th December, 1868, (No. 69) and the 29th ultimo, (No. 47), requesting the Board to contribute one-third of the cost of the widening of the Fulham-road, from Gunter's-grove to Stamford-bridge, and also for widening King's-road adjoining Stanley-bridge. The improvements in question, your Committee find, were made in sections, the total cost being £613 19s. 0d. for land and compensation and £1,814 17s. 11d. for new works, paving, building walls, &c. Your Committee have viewed the sites of these improvements, and, as it appears to them that they were much needed, they think that the Board may with propriety grant the application of the Vestry. They accordingly recommend—

> That the Board do, in compliance with the request of the Vestry, contribute one-third of the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £809 12s. 3d., and that it be paid to the Vestry of Chelsea on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have also, in compliance with your resolution of the 29th October, 1869, (No. 66), considered the letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, applying for a contribution of one-third of the cost of an improvement effected by them in King's-road, at a cost of £982 14s. 5d. The improvement referred to, which is shown upon a plan forwarded by the Vestry, consists of the widening of a portion of King's-road, at the corner of Church-street, by which the width of King's-road is increased 13 feet. The total cost of the improvement amounts to £982 14s. 5d. Your Committee have inspected the locality, and are satisfied that this improvement is also one of a valuable character, and towards the cost of which they consider the Board would be justified in granting the contribution applied for. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

> That the Board do, in compliance with the request of the Vestry, contribute one-third of the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £327 11s. 5d., and that it be paid to the Vestry of Chelsea on a certificate by the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from the City Commissioners of Sewers, requesting the Board, for the reasons stated, to re-consider their decision agreeing to contribute the sum of £1,250 towards the cost of the slip of ground in Upper Thames-street, proposed to be purchased from the Board by the Commissioners, for the sum of £5,250, and to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, referred by the Board on the 6th instant (No. 68). The Commissioners, in support of their application, state that the Board have, by their officer, placed on the piece of vacant land in question the full value which they would require to be paid for it, if sold to any party whose object was to make a profit by its use, viz., £5,250; that the Commissioners, desiring to know what sum the Board would contribute in aid if they consented to purchase the ground at this its full market value, fully expected that, under the circumstances, nothing less than half the net cost would be voted, the more especially as the ground purchased by the Board would have the benefit of the public Improvement which the Commissioners would thereby effect, and that to their surprise and regret the Board proposed to give less than one-fourth of the sum they ask for it. They, therefore, request the Board to re-consider the matter, before the Commissioners can decide whether they will feel justified in purchasing this piece of vacant ground for the purpose of widening and improving Upper Thames-street. It may be well to remind the Board that, on the 9th July last, (No. 4), your Committee, reporting on a letter from Mr. Haywood, applying, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers, for the terms upon which the Board would dispose of the slip of ground in question, recommended that he should be informed that the Superintending Architect's valuation of the ground was estimated at £5,250. The Board directed a communication to that effect to be addressed to Mr. Haywood, and a letter was subsequently received from him stating that the Commissioners were prepared, if the Improvement were proceeded with, to give the amount named; that the Commissioners, however, would request from the Board the usual contribution in aid of the Improvement, and, before proceeding further, would be glad to know whether they might

expect that the Board would accede to such request on its being made to them in the usual manner. Your Committee, on the 4th February last, reported upon this letter, and stated that, having regard to all the circumstances, and to the large quantity of ground which the Board had already given up in connection with the formation of the new street, as well as to the contributions which they had, from time to time, granted to the Commissioners, they were not prepared in this instance to advise the Board to accede to the request. This report was referred back to your Committee, for further consideration and report, and, on the 18th of the same month, they presented a further report to the Board, to the effect that, since the date of the former one, they had been favoured with explanations by the members representing the City of London at this Board, which placed the matter in a somewhat different light, and had induced your Committee to modify the resolution previously come to, and they recommended the Board to contribute the sum of £1,250. This recommendation was adopted by the Board. Your Committee have given the fullest consideration to the communication which is the subject of the present reference, but they fail to see any reason why the Board should alter the decision at which they have already arrived, and they recommend that the Commissioners be informed to that effect.

Your Committee have, from time to time, had under consideration certain claims in respect of floodings which have taken place in the Isle of Dogs. They find that the undermentioned cheques are now required in connection with this matter, and they recommend that the cheques be drawn on the General Account—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Isle of Dogs Floodings—Holmer, Robinson and Stoneham						
Re Clifton—Compensation	15	0	0			
Costs	2	2	0			
				17	2	0
Re Morrison—Compensation	15	0	0			
Costs	2	2	0			
				17	2	0
				£34	4	0

Your Committee have had before them a plan showing the proposed building plots in the line of the Whitechapel Improvement, prepared by the Superintending Architect in pursuance of their instructions. The disposition of the plots appears to your Committee satisfactory and advantageous to the Board, and with this view they submit the plan with this report, and recommend that it be approved, and be referred back to the Committee, with authority to accept tenders for the ground.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
CYRUS LEGG,
T. BRUSHFIELD,
JOHN SAVAGE,
C. H. ELT.

REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

PLOUGH LANE BRIDGE, VESTRY OF CHELSEA.

The question referred to me appears to be whether the Vestry of Chelsea can widen or contribute to the expense of widening the bridge over the Grand Junction Canal at Plough-lane, Kensal New Town, such bridge being wholly outside the parish of Chelsea, but being approached by roads lying within that parish.

I confess it is with considerable regret that I am compelled to say that the words of the 72nd section of the Act of 1862 exclude the notion that any bridge not within the parish can come within the Act; the words "within their parish" are twice repeated in that section, and are apparently in-

serted to prevent works being done elsewhere than in the district. Here the circumstances are peculiar, because, although the bridge is not in the district, the benefit would seem to be conferred on the district, which, as the plan shows, is only distant about 300 feet from the bridge, and the construction which would exclude the power seems hard and perhaps narrow; but it is a most dangerous doctrine to alter words in an Act, and as this would involve consent of the owner of the bridge, I presume (for little is said about it), and future maintenance. I cannot see how any authority can be found for saying that the words I have quoted can be rejected.

I have looked carefully to see if there are any other sections or words which might help it, and I am not quite clear whether it may not be worth while for the Chelsea Vestry to take Counsel's opinion as to what might be the effect of the 80th Section of the 57 Geo. III., c. 29 in connection with the 72nd Section of the Act of 1862. The information in the letters of the Vestry is scanty, but it will be seen that there is reference in the 80th Section of the 57 Geo. III. to extending improvements to any other district—apparently having in contemplation improvements which might run into another district.

I see difficulty in it, but the matter is important as one of principle, and I know that Counsel have not been always agreed as to the effect of the Act of 1862 as regards Michael Angelo Taylor's Act. I think the Chelsea Vestry, if they consult Counsel, should state the facts very accurately as to distance, cost, consent or not of owner of the bridge (if there be such an owner), and future cost of maintenance, and draw attention to several of the sections of the two Acts bearing on works within or without the given area.

(Signed) W. WYKE SMITH.

The Plan of proposed building plots in the line of the Whitechapel Improvement, referred to in the Report, was laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the Metropolitan District Railway Company be required to remove the parapet wall erected at their Norfolk-street Station, and to substitute a balustrade in conformity with the Plans approved by the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the two cottages in the Stratford-road, belonging to the Board, be disposed of by public competition, and that it be referred back to the Committee to make the necessary arrangements for that purpose.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the application of the Equitable Gas Company for the permission of the Board to lay a 14-inch main along the north side of the Thames Embankment, between Whitehall and the eastern side of King's College, be not granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Board do open the roadway of the Thames Embankment between Westminster and Blackfriars Bridges, at the earliest practicable period, and that it be referred back to the Committee to make the necessary arrangements for that purpose.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That a copy of the Solicitor's report on the letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, relative to the proposed improvement of the Canal Bridge in Plough-lane, be sent to the Vestry.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do, in compliance with the request of the Vestry of Chelsea, contribute one-third of the cost of the improvements effected by that Vestry in King's-road and Fulham-road at a cost of £2,428 16s. 11d., such contribution not to exceed the sum of £809 12s. 3d., and that it be paid to the Vestry on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Board do, in compliance with the request of the Vestry of Chelsea, contribute one-third of the cost of an improvement effected by the Vestry in King's-road, for the sum of £982 14s. 5d., such contribution not to exceed the sum of £327 11s. 5d., and that it be paid to the Vestry on a certificate by the Superintending Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London be informed, in reply to their letter requesting the Board, for the reasons stated therein, to re-consider their decision agreeing to contribute the sum of £1,250 towards the

cost of the slip of ground in Upper Thames-street, proposed to be purchased from the Board by the Commissioners for the sum of £5,250, and to be added to the thoroughfare of Upper Thames-street, that the Board, having re-considered the matter, see no reason to alter the decision at which they have already arrived.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That Cheques for the following amounts be now drawn, viz.—

General Account.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Isle of Dogs Floodings—Holmer, Robinson, and Stoneham—		
Re Clifton—Compensation	15 0 0	
Costs	2 2 0	
		17 2 0
Re Morrison—Compensation	15 0 0	
Costs	2 2 0	
		17 2 0
		£34 4 0

And cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the plan, now submitted, of proposed building plots in the line of the Whitechapel Improvement, be approved, and that it be referred back to the Committee with authority to obtain and accept tenders for the ground.

13. Mr. Saunders, Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 24th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that First-Class Fireman William Hemery, and Fourth-Class Fireman George H. Baylis have tendered their resignations, and they recommend that they be accepted.

The retirement of William Hemery will cause a vacancy in the First-Class of Firemen, and your Committee recommend the following promotions consequent thereon, viz.—Second-Class Fireman S. J. Aitchison to the First-Class, and Third-Class Fireman Thomas Chard to the Second-Class.

Your Committee have further to report that there are now seven vacancies in the Brigade, and they recommend that Samuel G. Gozzard, Charles H. Gale, Alfred J. Carter, Frederick Higginson, Henry Costin, Richard C. Phillips, and John Johnson, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS,
JOHN SAVAGE,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the resignations of First-Class Fireman William Hemery and Fourth-Class Fireman George H. Baylis be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That Samuel G. Gozzard, Charles H. Gale, Alfred J. Carter, Frederick Higginson, Henry Costin, Richard C. Phillips, and John Johnson be appointed in the Fourth Class of Firemen.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the following promotions be made, consequent on the retirement of First-Class Fireman William Hemery, viz.—Second-Class Fireman S. J. Aitchison to the First Class, and Third-Class Fireman Thomas Chard to the Second Class.

14. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 24th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the resolutions of the Board of the 23rd December last (No. 2) and the 13th instant (No. 50), they have considered the applications of Mr. J. Douglas, on behalf of Messrs. Yeo and Warner and Mr. J. Bishop, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on land adjoining the Railway Station, in Queen's-road, St. John's Wood; and the Memorial from owners and occupiers of property in the vicinity, urging the Board not to grant the applications. Various plans for building upon this land have, from time to time, been submitted to the Board; and the owners of the several plots have now combined to make these joint applications. They propose to erect their main buildings on the general line of frontage, but to advance the shops 12 feet, giving up the space between the front of the shops and the footway (9 feet 6 inches) for the use of the public. To this advance, the Vestry of Marylebone, and the owners and occupiers of property in the road, strongly object; and Mr. Shaw, the representative of the Vestry, and a deputation from the Memorialists, have attended your Committee to urge their objections. The Superintending Architect has, by direction of your Committee, defined the general line of buildings in the road, and your Committee, after giving careful consideration to all the circumstances of the case, are of opinion that it is undesirable that buildings should be erected in advance of that line, and they, therefore, recommend—

That the applications be not granted.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 20th instant (No. 51), they have considered the application of Mr. W. C. Banks, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line of proposed shops at the corner of Clarendon-road and High-road, Lee. There appears to be no objection to this plan on the ground of frontage, but representatives of the owners of adjoining houses have appeared before your Committee, and stated that their houses would be injuriously affected as regards light and air. That being, however, a matter for common law and not one over which the Board have any jurisdiction, your Committee recommend that the application be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Messrs. Cookson, Wainwright, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Thomas Single, for sanction to a plan for the erection of houses in a narrow road leading from Carlton Road to Clifton Grove, Camberwell, referred by the Board on the 1st ultimo (No. 73). Your Committee consider that any buildings erected in the road in question should be kept back to a line 20 feet from the centre of the existing road, and, subject to that condition, they recommend that the application be granted.

Your Committee have also considered the Solicitor's report on the application of Mr. Evan Hare, for a re-consideration by the Board of their Order of the 1st April last (No. 66), refusing to sanction the formation of three new roads on the Harefield Estate, Battersea, referred by the Board on the 13th instant (No. 43). The roads in question are intended to be of the full width of 40 feet, excepting at the entrances which will be under railway arches of considerably less width. Your Committee have received, from the Solicitor, information on the subject, and they have arrived at the conclusion that, although the narrow entrances are objectionable, yet, as the applicant proposes to make all the roads on his own land of the full width, sanction to them should be given, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee, in pursuance of your resolution of the 20th instant (No. 47), have also considered the application of Mr. H. Farmer, for the sanction of the Board to two bay windows proposed to be erected at Rose-cottage, Hamlet-road, Penge. The houses in question stand upwards of 22 feet from the road; and, as the adjoining occupiers do not object, your Committee recommend that the application be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Thomas Oddin, on behalf of the Rev. J. W. Todd, for the consent of the Board to the

erection of a foot-bridge at Tudor Hall, Forest Hill, referred by the Board on the 20th instant (No. 66). The bridge is proposed to be constructed of wood and glass, and it is intended to connect the upper floor of the house with some chambers over the servants' offices. Your Committee consider that such structures are objectionable, and they recommend that the application be not granted.

Your Committee have to report that Messrs. W. H. and S. Mansbridge have withdrawn so much of their application for approval by the Board of a Plan for the continuation of certain roads on the St. John's College Estate, Kentish Town, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 52), as relates to the continuation of Ascham-street. No objection exists to the remaining portion of the plan, and your Committee recommend that the application, as amended, be granted.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Superintending Architect's report relative to the width of the proposed road abutting on Putney-heath, and as to proceedings to enforce the Order of the Board with respect thereto, referred on the 20th instant (No. 59), and they are of opinion, having regard to the fact that buildings can only be erected on one side of the road in question, that it is undesirable to take any further steps in the matter.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of your resolution of the 20th instant, they have considered as to the vacancy in the District Surveyorship of Greenwich, caused by the resignation of Mr. R. P. Browne. A plan of the Greenwich District and of the adjoining Districts, prepared by the Superintending Architect, has been laid before your Committee, and also a report showing the amounts received, &c., in those Districts, from which they find that the average gross income of the Greenwich District for the years 1866, 1867, and 1868, was £360 per annum. They are of opinion that, as the extent of the District is very great, it is undesirable to amalgamate it with any of the adjoining ones, and they beg to recommend—

> That the Board do proceed in the ordinary way to the election of a District Surveyor for the District of Greenwich, in the place of Mr. R. P. Browne, who has resigned, and that advertisements be issued inviting candidates for the appointment.

Your Committee have considered the application of Messrs. W. Prust and G. White, for the consent of the Board to the formation and name of a new street, 20 feet in width, in continuation of Duncan-square, Hackney, referred by the Board on the 20th instant (No. 57). Your Committee consider that the proposed street, 20 feet in width, in continuation of Duncan-square should not be sanctioned, but that the erection of the two houses in Duncan-road should be approved, on condition that the houses be kept back as shown upon the plan accompanying the application, and that the space in front be given up for the use of the public, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. Robert Reid, on behalf of the Trustees of the late Mr. William Wilson, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two approach roads in continuation of Halliday-street, Camberwell, referred by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 56.) The Trustees cannot, at present, acquire more property than will enable them to make the roads 30 feet in width, but they are willing to enter into an undertaking not to build upon the roads, until they are widened to 40 feet. The roads will probably become a great improvement to the neighbourhood, and your Committee beg to recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the Trustees do enter into an undertaking not to erect buildings in such roads until they are made of the full width of 40 feet.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of your resolution of the 13th instant (No. 66), considered the application of Mr. Charles H. Rew, for approval by the Board of an amended plan for the formation of a new street to lead out of Grant-road, Clapham Junction. The applicant proposes to make a street, 40 feet in width, but having one of its entrances 32 feet six inches in width only. The present plan is an improvement on one already sanctioned, and your Committee recommend that it be granted.

Your Committee have also considered the Order of the Board of the 25th March last, (No. 9), directing that the name "Paddington Green-road" be applied to that portion of the Harrow-road which lies between Edgware-road and Bishop's-road Bridge; and a communication from the Vestry of Paddington, requesting the Board to designate that portion of the Harrow-road extending from the Edgware-road to the "Dudley Arms" public house, as "Bishop's-road," and the thoroughfare extending from the "Dudley Arms" to Warwick-road Bridge as "Warwick-road," referred by the Board, on the 8th ultimo (No. 72). Your Committee have carefully re-considered this matter, and they are still of opinion that the divisions made by the Board in the Harrow-road are the most convenient, and that the name applied to each of those divisions is the most suitable, and they, therefore, recommend that the Order of the Board be not interfered with.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial from the Vestry of Paddington, praying the Board to rescind their Order of the 11th February last (No. 8), directing that the name "Bishop's-road" be applied to the whole line of thoroughfare between Harrow-road and Westbourne-grove, that the subsidiary names be abolished and the houses re-numbered, referred by the Board on the 22nd ultimo (No. 14). The subsidiary names and the duplication of numbers caused much confusion in this road, and your Committee consider that the alteration ordered by the Board is a very necessary one; they, therefore, beg to recommend that it be not interfered with.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the applications of Mr. J. Douglas, on behalf of Messrs. Yeo and Warner and Mr. J. Bishop, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on land adjoining the railway station in Queen's-road, St. John's Wood, be not granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. W. C. Banks, for the consent of the Board to the frontage line of shops proposed to be erected at the corner of Clarendon-road and High-road, Lee, be granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Messrs. Cookson, Wainwright, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Thomas Single, for sanction to a Plan for a road from Charlton-road to Clifton-grove, Camberwell, be granted, on condition that the buildings to be erected be kept back to a line 20 feet from the centre of the existing roadway.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. Evan Hare, for sanction to the formation of three new roads on the Harefield Estate Battersea, be granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. H. Farmer, for the sanction of the Board to bay windows at Rose-cottage, Hamlet-road, Penge, be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. Thomas Oddin, on behalf of the Rev. J. W. Todd, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a footbridge, constructed of wood and glass, for connecting the house and offices known as Tudor Hall, Forest-hill, be not granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the amended application of Messrs. W. H. and S. Mansbridge, for the consent of the Board to a Plan for the continuation of certain roads on the St. John's College Estate, Kentish Town, be granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the width of a road abutting on Putney Heath, be approved, and that no further steps be taken in the matter.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the Board do proceed, in the ordinary way, to the election of a District Surveyor for the District of Greenwich, in the place of Mr. R. P. Browne, resigned, and that advertisements be issued inviting candidates for the appointment.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That that portion of the application of Messrs. Prust and White which relates to the formation of and name for a new street, 20 feet in width, in extension of Duncan-square, Hackney, be not granted, but that the erection of the two houses in Duncan-road, be sanctioned, on condition that the houses be set back as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, and that the space in front be given up for the use of the public.

It was **moved** by Mr. Bidgood, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. Robert Reid, on behalf of the Trustees of the late Mr. William Wilson, for the consent of the Board to a Plan for the formation of two approach roads in continuation of Halliday-street, Camberwell, be granted, on condition that the Trustees do enter into an undertaking not to erect buildings in such roads until they are made of the full width of 40 feet.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be not granted.

After discussion the **motion** and **amendment** were, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and it was—

Resolved—That the matter be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report, and that Mr. Legg be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Dalton—That the application of Mr. Charles H. Rew, for the consent of the Board to an amended Plan for the formation of a new street to lead out of Grant-road, Clapham-Junction, be granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Roche—"That no further proceedings be taken on the "Orders of the Board of the 23rd March last, (No. 9), and the 11th February last, (No. 8), "directing that the portion of the Harrow-road between Edgware-road and Bishop's-road "Bridge be called 'Paddington Green-road,' and that the name 'Bishop's-road' be applied "to the whole line of thoroughfare between Harrow-road and Westbourne-grove, until after "the Works and General Purposes Committee have reported upon the proposed widening of the "Harrow-road."

15. Mr. Westerton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 25th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they are proceeding on your resolution of the 18th February last (No. 12), directing that the necessary works for the planting and laying out of the Thames Embankment, North, should be proceeded with. Your Committee caused to be prepared a specification for the formation of walks, mounds, dells, and other works necessary for the laying out of the Embankment, in accordance with the Plan approved by the Board, and gave directions that tenders for the works should be invited from the following parties—

Mr. B. S. Williams, Holloway.
Messrs. Veitch and Son, Chelsea.
Messrs. Cutbush and Son, Highgate.
Mr. Meston, Fortess-terrace, Kentish Town.
Mr. W. Holmes, Frampton-park Nursery, Hackney.
Mr. J. Fraser, Lea Bridge-road, Leyton.

Your Committee have received tenders from three only of these parties, namely—

Mr. J. F. Meston	£6,900
Messrs. W. Cutbush and Son	7,390
Mr. B. S. Willliams	7,550

The tender of Mr. Meston being the lowest, your Committee have accepted it, and they beg to report this fact for the information of your Honourable Board.

In connexion with the above subject, your Committee have had under consideration the question of the erection of fencing for the roadway on the land side of the Thames Embankment. Of this fencing a considerable length, your Committee find, has to be executed, under the provisions of the Act, to the satisfaction of the Crown and the Benchers of the Temple, and about 900 feet of brick and stone wall have already been erected to the satisfaction of the Crown, opposite Privy Gardens. Your Committee directed the Engineer to obtain from a few firms some designs for the general line of fencing, and he has now submitted to them designs from the following parties—

The Coalbrookdale Company.
Messrs. Cottam and Company.
„ Hernulewiez and Co.
„ McFarlane and Co.
„ Morton and Co. Limited (Liverpool).
„ Skidmore and Co., and
„ Turner and Allen.

The Engineer has also communicated with the First Commissioner of Works and Mr. Pennethorne respecting the fencing to the Crown lands, but as yet has received no definite reply. The Benchers of the Temple have replied to a letter, which he has addressed to them on the subject, requesting him to submit to them a design similar to the fence recently erected to Hyde-park in Park-lane with the addition of a dog rail. The Engineer has obtained from Messrs. Cottam and Co., who erected the Hyde-park fence, a price at which they would erect a similar one; and the dog rail, it appears, would not add very much to the Tender. The Engineer recommends, however, that the design selected by the Board should be also sent to the Benchers so as to enable them, if they wish, to accept it, and thus secure greater uniformity along the Embankment. Your Committee have had before them the designs obtained by the Engineer from the firms above-mentioned, and they beg to submit them herewith for the information of your Honourable Board. It appears to your Committee, after a careful examination of the designs, that the one forwarded by Messrs. Turner and Allen, and numbered 4, is most appropriate for the work, and that the fencing should be erected in accordance with that design. Your Committee have given careful attention to the question of the height of the proposed fence, and they are of opinion that the height should be 7 feet 6 inches, except in certain portions, shown upon the Plan submitted to your Committee, in which a 5 feet fence only will be required. Your Committee have, therefore, to recommend that the design No. 4, forwarded by Messrs. Turner and Allen, be approved, and that a fence 7 feet 6 inches in height for a portion of the length and 5 feet for the remainder be erected in accordance with that design.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from the New River Company with reference to the laying down of a line of water-pipes under the northern footway of the Embankment between Charing-cross and Blackfriars for the purpose of watering the road and plants. The Company state that they are prepared to drive the necessary pipes and afford a water supply for the above purposes at the usual rates of charge, provided a minimum rent of £60 per annum be guaranteed by the Board in consideration of the Company's outlay. The Engineer states that about 3,000,000 gallons will be required during the six summer months, which would cost the Board £75 a year, representing at 5 per cent. £1,500, and that to provide a tank and pumping engine and to lay down pipes so as to obtain this supply from the river Thames would cost the Board from £3,500 to £4,000. Under these circumstances, your Committee think it desirable that the New River Company should be requested to lay down the necessary pipes, and they recommend that a communication be addressed to them accordingly, and that they be further informed that the Board will guarantee a minimum rent of £60 per annum for three years, and that as the roadway will

subsequently be placed under the control of the local bodies, whose duty it will be to water the roads the Board are of opinion that the total expenditure will exceed £60 per annum.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHAS. WESTERTON,
CYRUS LEGG,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The designs referred to in the Report were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the course taken by the Committee in accepting the Tender of Mr. J. F. Meston, amounting to the sum of £6,900, for laying out the ornamental portion of the Thames Embankment, North, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the design marked B, now produced, for an iron fence to the roadway on the land side of the Thames Embankment, North, be approved, and that a fence, 7 ft. 6 inches in height for a portion of the length, and 5 feet for the remainder, be erected in accordance with that design.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the design be referred back to the Committee with authority to obtain Tenders from parties for the execution of the work, and to accept the lowest of such Tenders.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the arrangement recommended by the Committee with the New River Company for the supply of water for watering the roadway and plantations on the Thames Embankment, North, be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Company accordingly.

16. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Phillips—That the scheme for the preservation of Blackheath be referred to the Parliamentary Committee with a view to obtaining the sanction of Parliament thereto during the present Session if possible.

17. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 25th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report, with regard to the Thames Navigation Bill, that the promoters of the Bill declined to accede to the suggestions of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, which the Board on Friday last expressed their willingness to accept. The inquiry was accordingly proceeded with, and, after the case of the promoters was terminated, the Select Committee made a further proposal, which was as follows :—That the Board should keep the Thames free from such banks or other obstructions to the navigation thereof as have arisen or may arise from the flow of the sewage at their outfalls into the river, and should be at liberty to dredge the river so far as may be necessary for that purpose, with the consent of the Thames Conservancy, and under their direction as regards navigation. In case of any complaint of the Board of Conservancy, the Board of Trade to appoint one or more Referees to be selected by this Board and the Conservators, or, in case of difference, to be nominated by the Board of Trade, and who should inquire into such complaint on oath, and report thereon to the Board of Trade. That the Board of Trade, on such report, should be at liberty to give such directions for removing any such banks or obstructions as may be deemed necessary for that purpose, and that this Board should carry out such directions, and that, in the event of default, the Conservators should do what was necessary at the expense of the Board, to give effect to the directions of the Board of Trade.

Your Committee, after careful consideration of this proposal, were of opinion that it was advisable for the Board to accept it, and, in this opinion, they were fortified by all the professional advisers of the Board who were present. As the Select Committee were to meet on the following day to receive the Board's answer to their proposal, your Committee, exercising the

general authority given them to act in cases of emergency, directed that it should be intimated to the Select Committee that the Board were willing to accept their proposition. They at the same time instructed the Solicitor to endeavour to get the clauses so framed as to render the Board liable to dredge and remove only such obstructions in the bed of the river as might be proved to have been caused by sewage, and to provide for a proper apportionment of the cost of dredging between the Board and the Conservators.

27th May, 1870.

Your Committee have met this morning, and have ascertained that the clauses prepared on the part of the Board, as above stated, were agreed to by the Select Committee and inserted in the Bill yesterday. When the preamble, however, came to be considered, words were proposed, relating to the sewage, which the Solicitor and the Board's Counsel deemed very objectionable and unfavourable to the Board, and they accordingly requested an adjournment in order that the opinion of your Committee might be taken on the subject. Your Committee were of opinion that the words proposed were such as the Board should on no account consent to, and they have accordingly prepared others in substitution. The words proposed by your Committee for insertion in the preamble are as follows:—"Whereas disputes have arisen between the Metropolitan Board of Works and the Thames Conservancy Board, as to obstructions alleged to have been created to the navigation of the Thames by the flow of the sewage from the Main Drainage outfalls into the river, and whereas it is desirable that such disputes should be settled as hereinafter provided." Your Committee have directed that Counsel be instructed to submit the foregoing preamble to the Select Committee, and in, the event of the latter not agreeing thereto, to request permission to produce evidence on the subject on the part of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit, and to which they request the approval of the Board.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
P. H. LE BRETON,
W. H. DALTON,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Mr. Newton informed the Board that the Select Committee had this day agreed to the Preamble as suggested by the Parliamentary Committee.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the proceedings of the Committee be approved.

18. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Elt—"That the "Board at its rising on Friday, the 3rd of June, do stand adjourned to Friday, the 17th of "June, and that no Committees be held (except in case of emergency) during Whitsun "week."

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th May, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
CAMBERWELL.				
Henslowe-road, British Land Company Estate, Dulwich ..	712	15 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
	200	12 ,,	,,	
WANDSWORTH.				
Extension of sewer in Wandsworth and Tooting-roads ..	about 639	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
	90			
CHELSEA.				
Riley-street, King's-road ..	550	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	½ brick.	Recommended subject to the ground being suitable, and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
Keppel-street, Whitehead's-grove	70	3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″	½ brick.	
Bond-street, Robert-street ..	85	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″	1 brick.	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works in the manner therein recommended.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th May, 1870, submitting a certificate from Mr. Wise, the Medical Attendant at Crossness, to the effect that John Savage, Cleaner at the Crossness Pumping Station was suffering from ulcerated legs and was quite unable to work, and that, probably, he would never again be fit for active employment of any kind; stating that he (the Engineer) had, under the authority of the Board's resolution of the 22nd June, 1866, (No. 9), allowed Savage half pay for a fortnight and had made the requisite temporary arrangements for the performance of his duties, and recommending that the half pay and temporary arrangements be continued for another fortnight, and that the case be, in the meantime, referred to the Works Committee for consideration.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the steps taken by the Engineer be approved, that the half-pay to John Savage be continued for a fortnight, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

21 Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 25th May, 1870, on a further letter from Messrs. East and Funston, on behalf of Dr. Thomas, relative to alleged damage done to his houses, Nos. 5, 6, and 7, Leicester-street, Poplar, in the execution of the Board's sewerage works; stating that he had already reported that the works alleged to have caused the damage were carried out by Messrs. Hill and Keddell under their General Contract with the Board, and that they had, therefore, been requested to give prompt attention to the matter; that Messrs. Hill and Keddell appeared not to have done so, and that Messrs. East and Funston, failing to get any reply to their subsequent letter addressed to them, now asked to be furnished with an abstract of the contract, showing the date and parties and so much of it as made the Contractors liable for any damage they might occasion in the performance of their works; and recommending that, provided the Solicitor saw no objection thereto, the application be complied with.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th May, 1870, on letters from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, relative to payment of the balance of their account for re-instating the carriage-way in Plough-road, disturbed in the execution of sewerage works, by Mr. Nicholson the Contractor for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

23. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th May, 1870, on an application from the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to stop up Riley-street for a period of 28 days for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the Vestry of Chelsea for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, for a period of twenty-eight days, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

24. The Solicitor reported that the cases of the Metropolitan Railway and the Metropolitan District Railway had been adjourned on Monday last, until to-day, in consequence of the illness of the Chairman of the Committee.

25. The Solicitor also reported that the motion by Mr. William Henry Smith, M.P., relative to the reclaimed land on the Thames Embankment, North, had not yet been brought before the House of Commons.

26. The Solicitor also reported that the Committee on the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill had been deferred until Monday next; and that the second reading of the Stamp Duty on Deeds Bill was also deferred until that day.

27. The Solicitor also reported that the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of the Corporation of London Bill now stood for Monday next; and that the second reading of the County of London Bill also stood for the same day.

28. The Solicitor reported that the Gas and Water Facilities Bill had been read a first time in the House of Lords, on Tuesday last.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Board's Loans' Act Amendment Bill had been read a second time in the House of Commons, and committed for Monday next.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill had been read a third time and passed in the House of Lords.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Tramways Bill, introduced by Government, stood for second reading in the House of Lords on the 30th instant.

32. The Solicitor reported that the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords on Tuesday last, and referred to a Committee of the whole House for to-day.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the several Tramways Bills would meet on the 14th June next.

34. The Solicitor presented, for sealing, a Deed Poll relative to Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, King-street, Kensington, and a Memorial for the registration of the same, and an agreement, in triplicate, between Mr. R. Cocks, the Vestry of Kensington, and the Board, for a building lease of the Fire Engine Station in Ladbroke-road, Notting-hill.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be respectively affixed to the said Deed Poll, Memorial, and Agreement in triplicate; and the Seal was affixed thereto accordingly.

35. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board to affix the Seal to petitions on behalf of the Board against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting of the Board.

36. The Solicitor reported that the following Order was made by the House of Commons on Monday, on the motion of Mr. Fawcett, M.P., viz.—"Address for Return of all inclosure "since the Inclosure Act, 1845; stating in separate columns the name, locality, and acreage "of each Common inclosed; also the number in each case of acres allotted to public "recreation grounds, and also as allotments for the labouring poor, mentioning in each "case the name or names of lords of the manors; the return should specify those inclosures "which would come within the operation of the Metropolitan Commons Act, or within the pro-"visions of the Suburban Commons Bill now before Parliament."

37. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion had been given for Monday next by Captain Dawson Damer, M.P.,—"To ask the First Commissioner of Works if it is true that the continued state of Leicester-square arises from a disputed ownership, and, if so, whether some steps should not be taken to ascertain who is liable for the present condition of that square;" and also that Mr. Brodrick, M.P., had last night asked the Secretary of State for the Home Department whether he intended to bring in any measure to restrain the Conservators of the Thames from imposing the penalties under the 60th Section of the "Thames Navigation Act, 1866," upon populous places below Staines, until some general Act shall, have been passed giving them facilities for obtaining some other outlet for their sewage than the River Thames, and that the Home Secretary had, in effect, replied that the matter was now under the consideration of the Government.

38. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion had been given by Mr. Walsh, M.P., "On second reading of Commons Inclosure Bill, to move that it be read a second time that day six months."

39. The Solicitor also reported that the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (various powers) Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords last Monday, and committed.

40. The Solicitor presented a letter from Mr. A. G. J. Ditton, dated 18th May, 1870, on behalf of Mr. Jones, applying for compensation for alleged injuries sustained by falling down a manhole to the sewer in Tiverton-street, Newington Causeway.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

41. The Solicitor reported that the following Standing Order had been made by the House of Commons with regard to Tramways—

> "That the owner or occupier of any house, shop, or warehouse, in any street through which it "is proposed to construct any tramway, and who alleges in any petition against a Private Bill or "Provisional Order, that the construction or use of the tramway proposed to be authorised thereby "will injuriously affect him in the use or enjoyment of his premises, or in the conduct of his trade "or business, shall be entitled to be heard on such allegations before any Select Committee to "which such private Bill or the Bill relating to such Provisional Order is referred."

42. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Ayrton, M.P., had given notice of the following motion with reference to the Kensington Road Bill—"That the Bill be committed to a Select Com-"mittee of nine Members; four to be nominated by the House, and five to be nominated by "the Committee of Selection."

43. The Solicitor presented a letter from the Inclosure Commissioners, dated 26th May, 1870, forwarding copies of the scheme with reference to Tooting Beck Common, and of the Plan relating thereto, and requesting the Board to have the same deposited and the necessary notices posted up as directed by the Act.

Resolved—That the Solicitor be authorised to take the necessary steps in the matter.

44. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Wright, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in front of the houses, Nos. 341 and 343, New Cross-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

45. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Tasker, on behalf of Mr. W. R. Williams, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building at the side of the premises, No. 41, Finchley New-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be not granted.

46. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Tosh, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window, two-storeys in height, in front of the house, No. 184, Highbury New Park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lavender and Sons, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an office or shop projection in front of the house, No. 320, Clapham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

48. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs W. and F. Croaker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a lobby or porch to the house, No. 151, Marylebone-road, to project four feet on the forecourt in Circus-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

49. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the application of Mr. H. R. Cotton, on behalf of Mr. Morris, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the house, No. 28, Charrington-street, Oakley-square, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application, be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

50. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of timber framed porches in front of twenty cottages in Medfield-street, Rochampton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

51. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. A. Murphy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on part of the front garden of Thurlow-lodge, Wandsworth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

52. Bermondsey.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Elkington, on behalf of Messrs. Todhunter and Blackmore, for the consent of the Board to retain a drying shed erected at their tannery, Black Swan-yard, Bermondsey-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

53. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. J. Williams and Son, for the consent of the Board to the construction of two sheds on the south side of Brewery-road, Caledonian-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

54. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Dr. Charles Neate, for the permission of the Board to retain a wooden stable erected at the bottom of his garden, Limes-terrace, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

55. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Jones, on behalf of the Commercial Gas Company, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of two furnace chimney-shafts and also a new retort-house, at the gas works at Stepney, exceeding the dimensions permitted by law.

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the construction of the proposed shafts be granted, on condition that the foundations be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law; and that the Gas Company be informed that the Board at present have no power to sanction the erection of a retort-house of the dimensions required, but that they are willing to permit the erection of the building to be proceeded with, provided the Company do give to the Board an undertaking to apply for consent to the retort-house when the provisions of the Building Act are amended so as to enable the Board to deal with buildings of the dimensions proposed.

56. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. P. Freeman, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the Wandsworth and Putney Gas Works, North-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the thicknesses of the brickwork figured upon the drawing be made irrespective of the firebrick lining; that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

57. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Gilbert, Brenchley, and Co., on behalf of Mr. Blackman, for the

consent of the Board to the construction of an open iron shed at his cooperage, Commercial-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the bases of the columns be secured to the timber plates by sufficient bolts.

58. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas L. Austin, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of three houses proposed to be erected on vacant land next Taylor's Bridge, Willow Brook-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the line of frontage of the proposed buildings be defined by a line commencing eleven feet back from the present fence at the north east corner of Willow Brook Wharf, and drawn to the angle of the shop situate at the corner of Thomas-street and Willow Brook-road, and that the space between such line of frontage and the present boundary be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry.

59. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Robert Thompson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three dwelling-houses, two workshops, and a lodge, and the formation of an approach road, in Uxbridge-road, Shepherd's-bush, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the erection of the two dwelling-houses marked A. A. on the Plan, be granted; but that the other proposed buildings and the approach road be not sanctioned.

60. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on a communication from the Wandsworth District Board, relative to the line of frontage of certain buildings in Western-lane, Nightingale-lane, which were not set back twenty feet from the present centre of the lane.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do cause penal notices to be served on the parties forthwith.

61. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment, by the Board, of Fees to Mr. Edward Power, Surveyor of the Southern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him in connection with the survey of Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

Resolved and **ordered**—That Fees, amounting together to the sum of £1 17s. 6d., be paid to Mr. Edward Power, the District Surveyor mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by him in Surveying Dangerous Structures, within the City of London.

62. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. T. Gates, for the consent of the Board to the spandril walls of three houses in Hither Green-lane being carried on fir girders, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the girders be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, of sufficient strength to carry the walls.

63. City of London—Read a communication from Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, dated 20th May, 1870, notifying that certain works were about to be executed at the premises, No. 102, Shoe-lane, City, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—**Whereas** Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, did, on the 20th day of May, 1870, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain works at the premises, No. 102, Shoe-lane, City, within the District aforesaid; and the said Rawlinson Parkinson has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the Eastern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Young is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

64. Poplar.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Tolley and Dale, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at Grove Hall Asylum, Bow.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the lower portion of the shaft be increased to 4 feet 6 inches by 4 feet 6 inches, so that the brickwork may be 1½ brick in thickness, irrespective of the fire brick lining; that the foundations and footings be increased accordingly, and that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

65. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. King and Co., on behalf of the Rev. C. Gutch, for the consent of the Board to the construction of iron buildings for St. Cyprian Schools in the rear of the premises Nos. 7 and 8, Allsop-mews, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

66. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Armstrong, on behalf of Messrs. Lucas Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a wooden shed at the junction of London and Nightingale-roads, Clapton, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the building be removed by the applicant within six calendar months from this date.

67. Southwark.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. G. H. Wilson and Co., for approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises, No. 28, Bankside.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

68. Read a letter as follows—

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey,
151, Bermondsey Street, S.E.,
23rd May, 1870.

Re Shirley and Horne.
Building at the corner of Rolls-road and St. James's-road.

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 21st instant, we beg to apprize you that the Defendants, Shirley and Horne, have obtained a Rule calling upon the magistrate and the vestry to show cause why the magistrate should not state a case for the opinion of the Court of Common Pleas, as to the liability of the defendants to remove the building.

The Vestry have accordingly instructed us to show cause against the Rule, which is set down for argument in Trinity Term. Meanwhile, the execution of the magistrate's order remains in abeyance.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) DREW and WILKINSON.

John Pollard, Esq., Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Solicitor to take such steps as he may deem necessary for the protection of the Board's interests with regard to the matter.

69. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. Carter, dated 17th May, 1870, declining to avail himself of the sanction given by the Board for the formation of a road to lead out of Groton-road, Garratt-lane, Wandsworth, owing to the condition imposed by the Board.

70. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. T. Foster, Secretary to the Gas Referees, dated 17th May, 1870, stating that the Peckham and Camden Town Testing Stations will be ready for the final inspection of the Referees on the 28th instant, and Oakley-square Station on the 6th June, and that immediately after such inspection the Referees would issue their certificate if the Stations were in all points conformable to their instructions.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

71. The Clerk presented the following letter—

The Metropolitan Asylum District, 37, Norfolk Street, Strand, London, W.C.
23rd May, 1870.

Dear Sir,—I have laid your letter of the 10th instant before the Finance Committee of the Managers, and, in reply, I am directed to call your attention to my letter of the 12th April last, in which I then pointed out that the Poor Law Board had only issued orders authorising the Managers to borrow, in the whole, the sum of £461,346 (including the £8,000 asked for after the arrangements with your Board for the advance of the loan of £460,000, had been completed), and that the Managers, therefore, did not desire to proceed with such further Loan of £8,000, if your Board would increase the final Instalment, to be paid on the 6th July next, from £79,000 to £80,346.

Should your Board, however, desire to advance the Managers the total sum of £8,000, the Committee will apply to the Poor Law Board for the authority to take it up; but they are anxious that you should not overlook the fact, that if the Managers were to take up from your Board this further sum of £8,000, they would be exceeding the total amount which they are, *up to the present time*, authorised to raise, by the orders of the Poor Law Board.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. F. JEBB, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

72. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Camberwell Vestry, dated 21st May, 1870, calling attention to the necessity of the houses in Commercial-road, Peckham, being re-numbered.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

73. The Clerk presented a letter as follows—

1, Park Prospect, Westminster, S.W.
23rd May, 1870.

Sir,—I am directed by Her Majesty's Commissioners for inquiring into the Pollution of Rivers, to forward to you, for the information of Sir John Thwaites and the Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, a copy of their Report on the Basins of the Mersey and Ribble, and especially to draw attention to (pp. 53 to 58) the description and examination of the "A.B.C." process for the treatment of Sewage by Chemical Agents, which process is, at the present time, carried on at Leamington by the Native Guano Company, Limited.

The Commissioners have investigated this process three times—first, at Leicester, in May, 1868; second, at Leamington, in December, 1869; and third, at Leamington, on the 10th and 11th of the present month.

The Commissioners have been informed that Dr. W. R. Miller, F.R.S., Dr. W. Odling, F.R.S., and Professor Abel, F.R.S., under instruction from and on behalf of the Metropolitan Board of Works, have recently inspected the Works at Leamington, examined the process and the manure obtained by the treatment, and have reported thereon; and I am directed to request that you will be pleased to move your Board to cause a copy of that Report to be forwarded to Her Majesty's Commissioners with as little delay as possible.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) S. J. SMITH, Secretary.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved—That the thanks of the Board be sent to the Commissioners for the copy of their Report, and that they be informed that the Board have not yet received the Report of Drs. Miller, and Odling, and Professor Abel, but that so soon as they do so they will be happy to furnish the Commissioners with a copy thereof.

74. The Clerk presented a letter from Messrs. Walker and Martineau, dated 25th May, 1870, calling attention to the probable injurious consequences of the sewerage works in progress

in front of and in the immediate vicinity of Queen Charlotte's Lying-in Hospital, and to the proposed position of a side entrance to the sewer, and requesting to have an interview with the Board on the subject.

The Clerk reported that on receipt of the letter he had handed it to the Engineer, who had taken steps for removing the ground of complaint, and thus rendered it unnecessary for the proposed deputation to attend.

75. The Clerk presented a Return and Plan prepared, pursuant to an Order of the House of Commons of the 28th April last, relative to the reclaimed land on the Thames Embankment, North, between Westminster-bridge and Blackfriars-bridge.

Resolved—That the said Return be presented to Parliament.

Adjourned until Friday, the 3rd June next, at this Office at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 21.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **3rd** day of **June**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Sills John Gibbons, Esq., Ald.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 27th May last, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Hornsey Local Board of Health, introduced by Mr. Runtz, consisting of Colonel Jeakes, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Mc Kenzie, and Mr. Rogers, Surveyor to the Local Board, attended the Board and presented a Memorial as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

The Hornsey Local Board beg to memorialise the Metropolitan Board of Works to allow the sewage of that portion of the district of Hornsey which now flows into the River Lea to pass into the Northern High Level Sewer, on certain terms to be agreed upon. The Hornsey Local Board are aware that the Metropolitan Board of Works have had some hesitation in receiving an additional drainage area into the High Level Sewer, but the Hornsey Local Board believe that their district forms such an exceptional case, that the Metropolitan Board will be induced to accede to this request. Mr. Bazalgette, in his Report to the Works Committee, dated 16th December, 1867, states, "Of Hornsey, about one-fifth drains into the Metropolis, belonging to the Hackney Brook Basin; the remaining portions draining into the Lea. The levels of the district would admit of its being drained into the High Level Sewer, but it would not be advisable to convey any large quantity of

additional sewage into this sewer." There are at present three sewers, forming parts of the Metropolitan system, into which portions of this district drain, without payment of rates, viz., one at Stroud Green, about 3 feet diameter; one at Crouch End, about 3 feet; and one running up the Holloway Hill, about 2 feet diameter. These sewers could all be made available for taking the sewage from a large portion of the district, and the remainder could be conveyed into the High Level Sewer, passing close to the Manor House-gate, in the Green Lanes. To prevent any large additional quantity flowing into this sewer, the Hornsey Local Board would undertake, if necessary, entirely to separate the storm water from the drainage, and by a separate system of drains they would convey the surface and storm waters into their natural channel. Either a fixed sum or an annual charge, to be agreed upon, would be paid for this accommodation, and the payment would be secured by a private Act of Parliament, to be obtained by Hornsey, if necessary. By this means that part of the district which already enters the Metropolitan sewers without charge, would pay its quota to the Metropolitan Board of Works. The Hornsey Board have been informed that their district was originally included in the Plan for the Metropolitan Drainage, and probably that the High Level Sewer was constructed to include this area; and, if so, the Hornsey Board feel assured that this will be considered an additional reason for excepting them from the category of the outlying districts. The almost insurmountable difficulties which the district of Hornsey have to overcome, will, the Board trust, form another reason for the consideration of the Metropolitan Board of Works, as conservators of the public health. A large portion of the whole part of the district drains into open ditches and watercourses, which, in summer, give out their poisonous and fever-producing products. Notwithstanding every effort that can be taken by the Hornsey Board for their cleansing and deodorisation, frequent complaints are made to them, and also to the Secretary of State, without any means of remedy; for, owing to an injunction obtained by Tottenham, no open drains are allowed to be piped or covered, and by the same injunction Hornsey is prevented passing any additional quantity of sewage into the natural outfall. Therefore all new houses which have been erected since that time have drained into separate cesspools, without overflows. In addition, the Board have received a notice from the River Lea Commissioners, absolutely prohibiting any sewage from entering the River Lea (the natural outfall), after the 13th August next. No system is known by which chemically sewage on a large scale can be rendered sufficiently pure to satisfy this order, and no land suitable for sewage irrigation can be obtained within many miles. The Hornsey Board have for years given this matter their serious consideration, and your Engineer Mr. Bazalgette was consulted, and a plan designed for taking the Sewage of all Districts draining into the Valley of the Lea to Barking Creek. This Plan necessarily involved a very large outlay, and as District after District declined to join Hornsey was left nearly alone and could not incur the expense. Mr. Bazalgette says in his Report—"The River Lea forms the natural Outfall for the drainage of these places, and nothing short of an *entire* removal of their sewage by a comprehensive system of Sewers will purify its waters and render the District a well-drained Suburb of London." A deputation waited upon the Home Secretary, but he would not promise any assistance from Government. The High Sewer, which already enters the District in three places, is now our only hope for rescuing the neighbourhood from the serious position into which it is forced, and the Hornsey Board respectfully hope that the grave necessity of the case and the exceptional position in which Hornsey is placed will induce the Metropolitan Board to grant this request.

The present population of the District is about	11,000
The probable future population estimated at	40,000
Present rateable value	£65,000
Probable future rateable value	£250,000
Area of the District requiring draining about	2,808 acres

The Memorial having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz, seconded by Mr. Healey—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 31st May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	BALANCES, 28th May, 1870.		CHEQUES DRAWN, BUT NOT ISSUED.	NET BALANCES.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
LONDON & WESTMINSTER BANK.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
WORKING ACCOUNTS.					
GENERAL	..	115,240 17 9	2,012 13 3	..	113,228 4 6
FIRE BRIGADE	..	5,161 12 3	2,369 18 10	..	2,791 13 5
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
GENERAL	..	500,225 1 3	..	..	500,225 1 3
FIRE BRIGADE	..	14,518 12 2	..	..	14,518 12 2
SOUTHWARK AND WESTMINSTER COMMUNICATION	..	1,777 12 1	..	..	1,777 12 1
VICTORIA PARK APPROACH	4,202 18 10	..	..	4,202 18 10	..
FINSBURY PARK	..	200 15 5	325 0 0	124 4 7	..
SOUTHWARK PARK	..	518 5 1	..	..	518 5 1
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT	3,264 0 5	..	..	3,264 0 5	..
KENSINGTON IMPROVEMENT	..	3,391 8 1	145 3 6	..	3,246 4 7
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT	..	47,442 2 10	15,496 0 4	..	31,946 2 6
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS	18,961 7 6	..	1,943 16 9	20,905 4 3	..
PARK LANE IMPROVEMENT	..	2,741 2 4	..	..	2,741 2 4
CHELSEA EMBANKMENT	..	1,609 3 3	..	..	1,609 3 3
COVENT GARDEN APPROACH	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
HOLBORN IMPROVEMENT	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
MISCELLANEOUS.					
FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	..	82 14 1	..	..	82 14 1
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION	..	2,041 19 6	..	..	2,041 19 6
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND	15,622 6 5	..	..	15,622 6 5	..
	42,050 13 2	696,789 3 5	22,292 12 8	44,118 14 6	676,564 12 1
DEDUCT IN DEBT	..	42,050 13 2	..	..	44,118 14 6
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	654,738 10 3	..	..	632,445 17 7
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	..	1,975 10 1	512 2 0	..	1,463 8 1
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.					
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH	..	23,452 17 5	2,432 17 9	..	21,019 19 8
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT	..	159,319 0 2	504 16 9	..	158,814 3 5
MANSION HOUSE STREET	..	30,209 2 11	324 19 1	..	29,884 3 10
TOTAL, CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT	..	212,981 0 6	3,262 13 7	..	209,718 6 11
AGGREGATE TOTALS	£	869,695 0 10	26,067 8 3	.	843,627 12 7

INVESTMENTS.

MORTGAGE DEBT SINKING FUND	£8,391 0s. 0d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
DITTO—FIRE BRIGADE	669 14s. 5d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
FIREMEN'S SAVINGS FUND	2,751 5s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Do.

Your Committee have had before them the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board.

SUMS RECEIVED, from 16th to 28th May, 1870—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.		
Precepts—		
St. Mary Newington, Surrey	..£2,843 12 8	
Poplar District..	.. 4,981 16 2	
Bethnal Green..	.. 2,847 0 7	
Woolwich	.. 679 12 7	
Limehouse District	.. 2,807 8 6	
St. Giles, do.	.. 3,292 19 10	
	17,452 10 4	
Rates	116 0 0	
Fees for Gas-meter testing	87 6 0	
Sale of Grass, Finsbury Park	7 10 0	
Building Act Fees	7 5 0	
Drain Junctions	0 12 3	
		17,671 3 7
FIRE BRIGADE.		
Contributions	17 10 0	
Rates	2 5 3	
Chimney-fire Fines	72 13 0	
Attendance at Ex-Metropolitan Fires	7 7 3	
		99 15 6
MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.		
Rates		77 16 9
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
Rents		235 16 9
		£18,084 12 7

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the Certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £14,913 1s. 5d., be paid.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them an application from Messrs. Judd and Glass for a further payment of £60 on account of their bills for printing to Lady-day last. These accounts will soon be finally settled, and, as the balance in hand is such as to allow of the payment now asked for, your Committee recommend—

That a cheque for £60 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass, further on account of their bill for printing to Lady-day, 1870.

In accordance with the reference by the Board on the 27th instant, (No. 22), your Committee have considered the Engineer's report on letters from the Vestry of Rotherhithe in relation to the payment of the balance of their account for re-instating the carriage-way of Plough-road, disturbed in the execution of the Board's sewerage works. It appears, from the correspondence from the Vestry, that the Contractor, Mr. Nicholson, arranged with them for the re-instatement of the carriage-way in question, and paid £50 on account, with the understanding that, in the event of his failing to pay the balance, viz., £120 16s. 0d., this Board should do so out of money becoming due to him under his contract; it further appears that the balance has not been paid, and that, consequently, the Vestry now look to the Board for it. The Engineer, however, has pointed out in his report that the payment in question, out of the retention-money in the hands of the Board before the expiration of twelve months from the completion of the works, would be contrary to a recent decision of the Board; and your Committee, being of opinion that it is not expedient to give up the retentions before the agreed time, recommend—

That the Vestry of Rotherhithe be communicated with in accordance with the substance of the Engineer's Report.

In pursuance of the reference by the Board on the 27th May last, (No. 71), your Committee have considered the letter from the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District

with reference to the advance, by this Board, to the Managers, of a further sum of £8,000, and they have now to report that, on the receipt of Mr. Jebb's letter of the 12th April last, they directed a communication to be addressed to him, calling attention to his letter of the 24th March last, which was presented to the Board on the following day, in which it was stated that, since the authority of the Poor Law Board was given to the Managers to take up the £460,000 raised for them by this Board, and also the balance of the £500,000, at such times and in such sums as they might be authorised by the Poor Law Board, that Board had, by an Order dated the 21st January, 1870, authorised the Managers to raise an additional sum of £8,000 for the purposes of the hospital at Hampstead, and that he was directed to ask the Board to arrange for the advance of such sum out of the balance of the £500,000 above referred to, and stating that, as this Board, acting upon his request, had applied to the Treasury and received their sanction to the arrangement by which they were to make the advance in question, the Board were prepared to pay the £8,000 accordingly. Your Committee have given very careful consideration to the statement contained in Mr. Jebb's letter of the 23rd instant, now referred to them, and they have arrived at the conclusion that the best course will be for the Asylum Board to take up the sum of £8,000, and they accordingly recommend—

> That the Managers be informed that as this Board have made arrangements for the advance to them of the amount in question, viz., £8,000, it is desirable that they should obtain the neccessary authority from the Poor Law Board for taking up that amount.

Your Committee have also to report that they have had under their consideration the preparation of a Form of Stock Certificate for the Board's Metropolitan Consolidated Stock which now becomes necessary in connection with operations of the Bank of England, and they are of opinion that it is desirable that the names of the Chairman and the Clerk of the Board should appear upon such a document, and, considering that the forms have to be given out by the Bank of England, they also thought that the name of some Officer of the Bank should also be given; they accordingly instructed the Accountant to confer with the authorities at the Bank with a view to the counter-signature of the Certificate by one of their Officers, and, the Bank having acceded to the views of your Committee, they submit the Form of Certificate for the approval of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
CYRUS LEGG.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CORY, W., AND SON—			
(4081)	Bill for Coals, supplied April, 1870—		
	Pumping Stations—		
	Deptford £374 11 0		
	Cremorne 78 7 6		
	452 18 6		
	Gas-meter Testing-house, Westminster .. 7 8 5		
	Office, Spring Gardens 19 0 0		
		479 6 11	
PINCHIN, JOHNSON, AND CO.—			
(4082)	Oil, Tallow, &c., supplied to Pumping Stations, December, 1869, to March, 1870—		
	Deptford £27 12 2		
	Cremorne 18 13 5		
	Crossness 93 13 11		
	Abbey Mills 26 13 10		
		166 13 4	
KENT WATER WORKS COMPANY—			
(4083)	Water supplied to Deptford Pumping Station—Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	10 18 9	
	Carried forward	£656 19 0	..

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	656 19 0	..
HARRIS, W.—			
(4084)	Repairs to Gates, &c., at Finsbury Park, April, 1870 .. £4 5 8		
	Repairs to Implements, &c., April, 1870 .. .. 1 7 2		
		5 12 10	
TAYLOR, R. P., AND CO.—			
(4085)	Scythe-blades and Sharpeners, for Southwark Park, April 1870 ..	2 9 0	
TUCKER, J.—			
(4086)	Hire of Horses and Men, for Rolling, and Carting Gravel at Southwark Park, November, 1869, to April, 1870	12 15 0	
NIXON, W. T., AND SON—			
(4087)	Repairs and Alterations at Office, Spring Gardens, July, 1869, to February, 1870	39 3 3	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—			
(4088)	Fair Copying, &c., 26th February to 2nd April, 1870—		
	Architect's Department £101 15 4		
	Accountant's Department 9 13 11		
		111 9 3	
GOSLETT, A., AND CO.—			
(4089)	Framing Drawings of Thames Embankments, February, 1870 ..	4 0 0	
LONDON LIFE ASSURANCE CO.—			
(4090)	Half-year's Interest (less tax) on Balance of Loan of £50,000, due 11th June, 1870	1,008 1 3	
PARRY, SERJEANT—			
(4091)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Lovibond	44 15 0	
POLLOCK, C. E., Q.C.—			
(4092)	Counsel's Fees—		
	Re Morrison £235 6 0		
	Opinion on Case 6 11 6		
		241 17 6	
RAYMOND, J.—			
(4093)	Counsel's Fees, July to December, 1869, *re* Rates of Pumping Stations, &c.	48 4 6	
GIBSON, H.—			
(4094)	Court Fees on Appeals, Abbey Mills Pumping Station, April, 1870..	9 19 6	
MAY, W.—			
(4095)	Balance of Charge for Map of River Thames, for Thames Conservancy Bill	15 0 0	
ANDOE, W., Auditor—			
(4096)	Allowance for Auditing the Accounts of the Board, Year ending 25th March, 1870	105 0 0	
HALL, J.—			
(4097)	Hire of Boats and Men, for taking Soundings at Northern and Southern Outfalls, October, 1869, to April, 1870	52 2 3	
PIKESLEY, J.—			
(4098)	Witness's Charges and Expenses, *re* Barking Inquiry	16 4 0	
WOODFORDE, Dr. W. T. G.—			
(4099)	Professional Charges for attending C. Anderson, late Clerk of Works	2 2 0	
			2,375 14 4
	FIRE BRIGADE.		
NOBES AND HUNTER—			
(2536)	Leather Butts, for repairing Hose, May, 1870	3 9 9	
RENNIE, J. AND G.—			
(2537)	Repairs to Float, March, 1870	10 13 4	
SMITH, J., AND CO.—			
(2538)	Stationery, &c., Quarter ending Lady-day, 1870	94 0 0	
TRUSCOTT, J., AND SON—			
(2539)	Printing Daily Fire Returns, Quarter ending 31st March, 1870 ..	139 10 0	
	Carried forward	£247 13 1	2,375 14 4

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	247 13 1	2,375 14 4
STANDIDGE AND Co.—		
(2540) Bill for Lithography, February and March, 1870..	16 2 0	
WANDSWORTH DISTRICT BOARD OF WORKS—		
(2541) Half-year's Rent of Wandsworth Station, due Lady-day, 1870 ..	15 0 0	
HORWOOD, J.—		
(2542) Repairs to Drains, April, 1870—Bishopsgate Station .. £2 3 0		
Repairs to Gas-pipes, May, 1870—Stoke Newington Station 0 5 6		
	2 8 6	
DIXON, W.—		
(2543) Agreed amount for Stable erected by him at Greenwich Station ..	3 0 0	
		284 3 7
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.		
SHEFFIELD, J. AND T. N.—		
(615) Taxed costs, *re* Dryland	69 14 3	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(616) Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869 ..	21 17 3	
		91 11 6
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.		
POLLOCK, C. E., Q.C.—		
(131) Counsel's Fees, *re* Cox		63 5 0
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.		
HISCOX AND WILLIAMS, Contractors—		
(55) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, from Westminster Steamboat-pier to Chelsea—Contract No. 150	3,000 0 0	
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—		
(56) Further on account of Sewers, Plough Road, &c., Rotherhithe—Contract No. 133	700 0 0	
CROCKETT, W., Contractor—		
(57) Further on account of Putney Boundary Sewers—Contract No. 140 .. .. £264 2 6		
(58) Further on account of Sewer, Kennington Park Road— Contract No. 149 .. .. 292 15 0		
	556 17 6	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(59) Bills for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869—		
Northern Low Level Sewer £70 7 5		
Schedule D Sewers 8 5 0		
	78 12 5	
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—		
(60) Final Payment for Diversion of the Limekiln Dock and Blackwall Sewers, Contract No. 53	3,718 11 7	
		8,054 1 6
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.		
LONDON LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY—		
(5) Third Half-yearly Instalment in repayment of Loan of £50,000, due 11th June, 1870		840 4 0
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.		
POLLOCK, C. E., Q.C.—		
(40) Counsel's Fees—		
Re Ritson £46 9 6		
Opinion on Case 11 5 6		
	57 15 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(41) Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869 ..	35 4 6	
LONDON ENGINEERING, &c., COMPANY, LIMITED—		
(42) Bill for strengthening Girders at Hungerford Steamboat-pier ..	107 9 3	
DYSON AND Co., Parliamentary Agents—		
(43) On account of Fees and Disbursements, Thames Embankment, North, Bill	250 0 0	
		450 8 9
SOUTHERN EMBANKMENT.		
PARRY, SERJEANT—		
(28) Counsel's Fees, *re* Batstone	5 10 0	
BRAMWELL, F. J.—		
(29) Professional Charges, *re* Doulton	382 18 5	
		388 8 5
Carried forward ..		£12,547 17 1

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	..	12,547 17 1
	MANSION HOUSE STREET.		
FOOT, J. A.—			
(58)	Counsel's Fees—*re* Clearance of Buildings, August and October, 1869..	6 13 6	
KELL BROTHERS—			
(59)	Lithography, July, 1869	6 10 6	
RATES AND TAXES FOR PROPERTIES TAKEN—			
(60)	Alford, W. S., Collector £96 10 6		
(61)	Archer, W. T., ,, ... £246 16 3		
	Ditto ,, ... 68 4 8		
	315 0 11		
(62)	Davidge, J ,, ... 46 8 6		
		457 19 11	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—			
(63)	Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869 ..	5 18 9	
			477 2 3
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—			
	CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(13)	*General Account*—		
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 25th May, 1870 .. £573 3 7		
	Petty Cash Payments, 17th to 30th May, 1870 .. 76 19 6		
	Special Jury Expenses—*re* Gallon 31 18 3		
	Rates and Taxes—		
	For Premises used for Drainage Purposes £2 6 5		
	,, Gas-meter Testing-houses 2 10 0		
	4 16 5		
		686 17 9	
	Fire Brigade—		
	Sundry small Bills, for Repairs at Stations £2 16 0		
	Weekly Wages, (Firemen)—Two Weeks to 28th May, 1870 .. .. 1,024 5 0		
	Rates, Gas, and Water, for sundry Stations 34 12 9		
	Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 28th May, 1870 .. .. 3 2 0		
	£1,064 15 9		
	Firemen's Savings' Fund—Amount returned to men leaving the Service 34 6 6		
		1,099 2 3	
	Whitechapel Improvement—		
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 25th May, 1870	3 3 0	
	Stingo Lane Improvement—		
	Compensation to Weekly Tenants on removal	42 0 0	
	Main Drainage and Main Sewers—		
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 25th May, 1870	21 0 0	
	Chelsea Embankment—		
	Weekly Wages—Week ending 18th May, 1870	1 1 0	
			1,353 4 0
	THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.		
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—			
(44)	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 25th May, 1870	£33 16 8	
	Short-hand Notes, *re* Ritson	1 1 0	
			34 17 8
	TOTAL		£14,913 1 5

Certified,

(*Signed*) ARTHUR GUNN,

Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
ED. COLLINSON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
E. DRESSER ROGERS,
CYRUS LEGG.

FORM OF STOCK CERTIFICATE REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK CERTIFICATE.

Interest at £3 10s. *per Cent.*,

Redeemable at par 6th October, 1929.

£1,000 C 1801

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, *That the Bearer of this Certificate,**

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is entitled to ONE THOUSAND *Pounds Metropolitan Consolidated Stock* (£3 10s. *per Cent.*) *pursuant to the Act* 32 *and* 33 *Victoria, Cap.* 102.

Dated the

C 1801

J. THWAITES,

Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Countersigned

JOHN FRANCIS,

Chief Accountant, Bank of England.

JOHN POLLARD,

Clerk of the Board.

£1,000

* This Certificate is transferable by delivery so long as the blank is not filled up; but the transfer may be restricted by the insertion of a Name, with Address and Quality, in full.

The Coupons attached to this Certificate are payable at the BANK OF ENGLAND, or at any of its COUNTRY BRANCHES.

METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED STOCK.

Coupon for Four Pounds Seven Shillings and Sixpence,

Less Income Tax,

Being 3 months' Dividend at £3 10s. per cent. on Stock Certificate for FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS,

Due 6th July, 1870.

B 000

£4 7s. 6d.

J. THWAITES,
Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

JOHN POLLARD,
Clerk of Board.

PAYABLE AT THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

6th July, 1870.

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£4 7s. 6d.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £14,913 1s. 5d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That a cheque for £60 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Judd and Glass, further on account of their bill for printing to Lady-day, 1870, and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letters from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, relative to the payment of the balance of their account for re-instating the carriage-way of Plough Road, disturbed in the execution of the Board's Sewerage works be approved; and that a communication as recommended by the Committee be sent to the Vestry.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District with respect to the advance by this Board to them of the sum of £8,000 be approved; and that the Managers be informed that as this Board have made arrangements for the advance to the Asylum Board, of the amount in question, it is desirable that that Board should obtain the necessary authority from the Poor Law Board for taking up the amount.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the form of Stock Certificate for Metropolitan Consolidated Stock, now submitted, be approved.

4. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 30th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have drawn cheques, as follows, for payments in connexion with Improvements now in progress—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Thames Embankment, North.		
Re Holder's Trustees—		
Dangerfield and Fraser—Costs of Title and Release ..	66 19 9	
Re Whitehall Place—		
Redgrave, J. F.—Office of Woods, &c.—Costs of Agreement	45 5 0	
Re Ecclesiastical Commissioners—		
Bank of England—In respect of Nos. 10 and 11, Whitehall-place	2,250 0 0	
		2,362 4 9
Southern Embankment.		
Re S. Randall's Devisees—		
Hodgson, R. and C. H.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	121 11 5	
Re W. Randall's Devisee—		
Hodgson, R. and C. H.—Costs of Title and Conveyance ..	20 16 3	
		142 7 8
		£2,504 12 5

Your Committee have had under consideration the report by the Solicitor, referred on the 6th instant (No. 29), relative to a fence erected by the London and South Western Railway Company in front of two cottages at Heathfield, Wandsworth Common. This matter was brought under the notice of the Board by the Wandsworth District Board of Works on the 11th March last, and it was then referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary legal steps with a view to the removal of the fence in question. The Solicitor submitted, with his report, a letter from Mr. Crombie, Law Clerk to the Railway Company, stating that the Company's Engineer would, with a view of avoiding litigation, remove the fence, but upon the understanding that such removal would not prejudice the Company's right to retain possession and control over the land inclosed by the fence. Your Committee instructed the Engineer to watch and report whether the fence were removed, and they have now received from that officer a report stating that he has ascertained that the fence has been properly set back to a width of 20 feet from the centre of the roadway as required by the Board's Solicitor.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered as to the name to be applied to the new street formed by the Board at Whitechapel, and it appears to them that, as it is a continuation of the thoroughfare known as "Commercial-road," that name may, with great propriety, be applied to it. In this view the local boards, within whose districts the new street is situate, concur. Your Committee accordingly recommend that the new street be called Commercial-road. It may be mentioned in connexion with this matter that the Committee have instructed the Superintending Architect to report to them as to the most convenient method of re-numbering Commercial-road.

Your Committee have further to report that, in compliance with your resolution of the 29th October last (No. 26), they have considered as to suitable names being applied to the Northern and Southern Embankments of the Thames. With reference to the Northern Embankment, your Committee have had regard to the name which the Board have applied to the new street leading to the Mansion House, which will form a continuous line with the Embankment, and they think, under the circumstances, that "Victoria Embankment" would be the most appropriate title. They beg to recommend in accordance with this view. With regard to the South side of the river, the name which has suggested itself to your Committee

is "Albert Embankment," which appears to them to be very suitable, and which, therefore, they beg to recommend for adoption.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
C. H. ELT,
J. O. HALL,
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the new street, formed by this Board at Whitechapel, be named "Commercial Road," in accordance with the name of the thoroughfare of which it is a continuation.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor—That the name "Victoria Embankment" be applied to the Northern Thames Embankment.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor—That the name "Albert Embankment" be applied to the Embankment on the South side of the river.

5. Mr. Bidgood, Deputy-Chairman of the Building Act Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 24th May, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, &c., for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in their respective districts, viz.—

DATE OF REFERENCE.	APPLICATION.
22 October, 1869, (No. 59.)	Hackney District Board, for the re-numbering of the houses in Downs-park-road.
7 January, 1870, (No. 32.)	Hackney District Board, requesting this Board to re-name the portion of Stoke Newington-road between Shacklewell-lane and West Hackney Church, "Stoke Newington-road," and from thence to Abney-park Cemetery, "Stoke Newington High-street," and that the portion of Sandringham-road between High-street, Kingsland, and the back road be named "Robinson's-road."
23 July, 1869, (No. 98.)	Rev. G. Mansfield and other residents in Wiltshire-road, Brixton, for the re-numbering of the houses in that thoroughfare.
20 May, 1870, (No. 70.)	St. Saviour's District Board, for the re-naming of Church-street and Barge House-street, Southwark.
22 October, 1869, (No. 59.)	Paddington Vestry, suggesting that the name "Church-street" should be applied to the whole line of thoroughfare from Paddington Green to Lisson-grove.
22 July, 1864, (No. 73.) 6 May, 1870, (No. 64.)	Fulham District Board, for the re-naming and re-numbering of certain thoroughfares in the district.
4 February, 1870, (No. 32.) 20 May, 1870, (No. 62.)	Lewisham District Board, for the re-naming of Limes-grove, Lewisham.

Your Committee have received reports on the cases above mentioned from the Superintending Architect, and have inspected plans, prepared under his direction, showing the alterations which it is desirable to make in the names and numbering of the several thoroughfares, and they recommend—

That the subsidiary names in Downs Park Road, Hackney, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the thoroughfare between Shacklewell Lane and West Hackney Church, Hackney, be named Stoke Newington Road, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the thoroughfare between Gordon Road, Hackney, and the County Bridge be re-named Stoke Newington High Street, the subsidiary names abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

That the portion of Sandringham Road, Hackney, between Kingsland High Street and Back Road, be re-named Robinson's Road.

That the houses in Wiltshire Road, Brixton, be re-numbered, and the subsidiary names abolished.

That no alteration be made in the names of Church Street and Barge House Street, Southwark, or in the numbering of the houses therein.

That the name Church Street be applied to the whole of the line of thoroughfare between Grove Road and Paddington Green, and the houses re-numbered.

That the subsidiary names in Brook Green, Hammersmith, be abolished, and the houses re-numbered consecutively.

That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in Elm Grove, Hammersmith.

That Limes Grove North, Lewisham, be incorporated with Limes Grove, and the houses re-numbered.

Your Committee have also considered the letter from the Vestry of Paddington, stating that the resolution of the Board directing that no alteration be made in the names of Upper Berkeley-street, Upper Berkeley-street west, and Berkeley-place, is unsatisfactory to the Vestry and that they are of opinion that the whole line of thoroughfare from Portman-square to Hyde Park-square should be re-named "Berkeley-street," referred by the Board on the 29th April last (No. 44). Your Committee reported the reasons which induced them to recommend that no alteration be made in the names of the streets in question on the 25th March last, and, after having re-considered the matter, they are still of opinion that no alteration should be made, and they recommend accordingly—

Your Committee have also considered the following resolution of the Board of the 22nd April, 1870, (No. 17), viz.—"That it be referred to the Building Act Committee to consider and report as to the desirability of communicating with the authorities of the Post-office in all cases where alterations in the naming of thoroughfares and the numbering of houses are ordered by the Board," and they have to report that it has been the practice of the officers of the Board to communicate to the Post-office authorities information of all the alterations made by the Board in the names of streets and other places, or in the numbering of houses.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
HENRY BIDGOOD,
JOHN RUNTZ,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Downs Park-road, in the parish of Saint John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1059, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 69, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 70, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the western end; that the names Alexandra-terrace, St. Mark's-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Downs Park-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Downs Park-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the pro-

visions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of the thoroughfare which lies between Shacklewell-lane and West Hackney Church in the respective Parishes of Stoke Newington and Hornsey, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1060, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 133, being assigned to the houses on the west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 166, to those on the east side; that such numbers do commence at the south end; that the names Nelson-terrace, Walford-terrace, Vittoria-place, Albion-place, Albion-cottages, Palatine-place, Claremont-terrace, Brunswick-place, Brunswick-cottages, Caledonian-cottages, Briar Houses, Prospect-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in that part of the thoroughfare which lies between Shacklewell-lane and West Hackney Church, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Stoke Newington-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that part of the thoroughfare which lies between Gordon-road and the County Bridge, in the respective Parishes of Stoke Newington and Hornsey, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1061, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 217, being assigned to the houses on the west side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 242, to those on the east side; that such numbers do commence at the south end; that the names Middleton-place, Alexandra-terrace, Vernon-place, Elgin-terrace, York-place, Spring Vale-terrace, Union-place, Rochester-terrace, Aberdeen-place, Abney Park-terrace, Coronation-place, Gloucester-place, Carlton-place, Market-place, and any other name or names now in use in that part of the thoroughfare which lies between Gordon-road and the County Bridge, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Stoke Newington High-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That that portion of Sandringham-road which lies between Kingsland High-street and Back-road, in the Parish of Stoke Newington, in the County of Middlesex, be re-named Robinson's-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Wiltshire-road, Brixton, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Lambeth, in

the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1062, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 81, being assigned to the houses on the eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the western side; that such numbers do commence at the northern end; that the names Northampton-villas, Angell Park-villas, Wiltshire-villas, Dunrobin-villas, Almond-villas, Carlton-villas, Elgin-villas, Bedford-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Wiltshire-road, Brixton, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Wiltshire-road, and that notice of this Order be given to the Vestry of Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That no alteration be made in the names of Church-street and Barge House-street, Southwark, or in the numbering of the houses therein.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare between Grove-road and Paddington-green, in the respective Parishes of Saint Marylebone and Saint Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1063, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 159, being assigned to the houses on the south-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 116, to those on the north-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Grove-road; that the names New Church-street West, New Church-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Church-street, and that notice of this Order be given to the respective Vestries of St. Marylebone and Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Brook Green, in the Parish of Hammersmith, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1, and ending with 71, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,064, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the names Hanover-villas, Charlton-cottages, Crosbee-villas, Prospect-place, Clarendon-villas, Brunswick-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Brook-green, Hammersmith, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Brook-green, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham Disirict, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That no alteration be made in the numbering of the houses in Elm-grove, Hammersmith.

The Report of the Building Act Committee of the 24th day of May, 1870, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Limes-grove, in the Parish of

Lewisham, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked 1,021 in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the north side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the south side; that such numbers do commence at the west end; that the name Limes-grove, North, and any other name or names now in use in Limes-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Limes-grove, and that notice of this Order be given to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That the Resolution of the Board of the 25th March last (No. 9), directing that no alteration be made in the names of Upper Berkeley-street, Upper Berkeley-street, West, and Berkeley-place, be adhered to.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bidgood—That so much of the Report as relates to the subject of communicating to the Post Office Authorities information of alterations made by the Board in the names of streets and other places, and in the numbering of houses, be approved.

6. The Engineer laid before the Board the following letter—

Board of Trade,
(Railway Department),
London, S.W., 30th May, 1870.

SIR,

I am directed by the Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, acquainting them that the Metropolitan District Railway Company have as yet taken no steps towards the formation of any part of their Railway under the New Street eastward of Lambeth Hill, common either to the route as authorised or to that proposed by the Bill now before Parliament, and that the Metropolitan Board of Works are desirous that the Company should be called upon at once to proceed with that portion of their Line.

In reply I am to acquaint you that the Board of Trade have fully considered the matter, and have requested one of their Inspecting Officers to visit the works and have received his opinion, but that they have come to the conclusion that it is not advisable to make an order in the matter, pending the decision of the Committee of the House of Lords on the Metropolitan District Bill, as that decision must necessarily affect the nature of the works to be executed.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) W. R. MALCOLM.

J. W. Bazalgette, Esq., C.E.,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Thompson—That a communication be addressed to the Board of Trade, calling their attention to the fact that the Committee of the House of Lords have rejected the Company's Bill, and requesting them to issue their Order to the Company to proceed with the works in question.

7. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
2nd June, 1870.

Monthly Report of the Progress of the Thames Embankment, Low Level Sewer, North, &c. Works.

NORTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 3), *between Temple Gardens and Blackfriars Bridge.* The river wall is wholly complete for a length of 707 feet, and the remaining length of about 215 feet is constructed to an average height of 7 feet above Trinity High water mark. The length of the Subway completed is 814 feet and of the sewer 875 feet. The concrete retaining wall, on the land side of the new road, is completed to a height of about 30 feet for a length of 550 feet. The minor sewerage and drainage works on the foreshore of the river are all complete. The Subway from the river to the City Gas Company's premises is approaching completion. The materials of the old houses which have been pulled down in Chatham Place, are all cleared away for the formation of the approach to the Embankment from Bridge-street.

Of the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., between the terminal point of this Contract and the commencement of that part of these works which is being constructed by the Metropolitan District Railway Company in connection with their works between Saint Andrew's-hill and New Earl-street, a length of 485 feet of the Sewer, 640 feet of the Subway, 430 feet of the smaller sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″), and 39 coal vaults have been constructed. The excavations for the penstock chamber near the bridge are complete, and the iron and stone works are in hand.

The approximate cost of the whole of the foregoing works executed by Mr. Webster, is £85,000 of which £360 are due to the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed are Messrs. A. Boag and C. Jannings, at a total weekly cost of £5 19s.

The works of the Metropolitan District Railway have been in active progress throughout the month at certain points along the Embankment. and by the 30th ultimo they were so far completed as to admit of the opening of the line on that day for public traffic between Westminster and Blackfriars. Between Blackfriars-bridge and Lambeth-hill about 1,350 feet of the side-walls and arching are complete, and a further length of about 800 feet is in progress. A single line of the permanent way is laid for a length of 2,150 feet. The Clerk of Works, Mr. G. Bell, has been employed for one-fourth of his time upon the section of the works extending from Westminster to the Temple; from the latter point, eastward, they are under the charge of the Clerks of Works superintending the No. 3 Embankment Contract, and the portion of the Low Level Sewer, Subway, &c., which is being constructed in connection with the Railway. A fair proportion of the cost of this supervision will, therefore, be borne by the Company.

Under his Contract for forming the carriage and footways of the Embankment, Mr. Webster has concreted a length of about 1,870 feet of the carriage-way for a width of from 64 to 32 feet and, has partly macadamised a length of 600 feet. Of the new footway he has laid about 1,700 feet, 16 feet in width, and of the kerb about 2,600 feet. About 1,600 feet of the old footway on the River side, varying from 20 to 8 feet in width, has been re-laid.

Under the Contract for the construction of the Subway under the Embankment, near Westminster-bridge, for the purpose of giving access to the lower footway and Steamboat Pier, from the Subway lately constructed between the Houses of Parliament and the Metropolitan District Railway Station, Mr. Webster has completed 166 feet of the side-walls and 70 feet of arching.

The Clerks of Works employed upon the foregoing two contracts have been Messrs. G. Bell, J. Wright (each for one-half of his time), and G. Skipper, at a total weekly cost of £6 6s.

Low Level Sewer, Subway &c., between Saint Andrew's Hill and New Earl Street.—The Company have constructed, under their agreement with the Board, about 1,600 feet of the Low Level Sewer, and Subway, 240 feet of the smaller sewer, and 155 coal vaults. The total value of these several completed works is about £16,000, of which 1,200 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for one-half of his time, the remaining half being occupied by the Hermitage Lock and a section of the Low Level Sewerage Works), K. Earnshaw, and W. Garton, at a total weekly cost of £7 14s. 0d.

Low Level Sewer, between New Earl Street and Tower Hill.—Nearly the whole of the works contained in this contract, comprising a length of 2,560 feet of 8′ 9″ and 1,840 feet of 8′ 6″ barrel sewer, with the requisite side entrances and air shafts, are now completed by Mr. Webster, at a total estimated cost of £56,000. Mr. John Garton, Clerk of Works, is employed for about one-fourth o his time in superintending the work remaining to be done.

Low Level Sewer, between Westminster Bridge and the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico.—The completed lengths of this section of the Low Level Line are about 6,300 feet of 7′ 9″; 2,900 feet of 6′ 9″; 60 feet of 4′ 6″; and 48 feet of 5′ 6″ × 3′ 10″ brick sewers; the estimated cost of which, with the numerous minor incidental works, is £56,000; of which £3,000 represent the progress made by Messrs. Hiscox and Williams in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon have been Messrs. G. Bell, for one-fourth of his time, J. Wright, for one-half of his time, J. White and R. Tuck, at a total weekly cost of £8 1s. 0d.

Wapping Sewers.—Under Mr. Webster's contract for the interception of the drainage of the western portion of Wapping, by means of a sewer carried along High-street, and under the Hermitage entrance to the London Docks, to a branch of the Nightingale-lane Sewer connected with the Low Level Line, about 50 feet of 4′ 0″ barrel, and 840 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2″ 8″ sewer have been constructed at an estimated cost of about £3,600; of which £300 represent the progress made in the past month. The Clerks of Works employed hereon are Messrs. J. Garton (for about one fourth of his time) and J. Paget, at a total weekly cost of £4 4s.

Limehouse Outlets.—On the 18th March last the Board accepted the tender of Mr. T. Pearson to execute the works requisite for diverting the drainage from certain outlets in the Limehouse District and connecting it with the Low Level Sewer, for the sum of £4,444. To the end of the past month he had completed a total length of 330 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick, and 400 feet of 15 inch stoneware-pipe sewers at an estimated cost of £500. The Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

Whitechapel Improvement.—The whole of the works contained in this contract were sufficiently complete to admit of the Board opening the new line of street for public traffic on Saturday the 14th ultimo. The total length of new carriage-way laid complete is 1,283 feet; the footways, 2,070 feet; and the kerbing, 2,650 feet. The subway (12 feet wide by 7′ 6″ high) is 1,140 feet in length, and the sewer (4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″) 1,206 feet. There are 119 coal-vaults built under the footways and thirty side passages under the carriage-way, the latter being for the purpose of carrying the service-pipes, both gas and water, to the houses to be erected on either side of the street, and gas to the street lamps.

There are also two entrances to the subway from the surface of the street and one to the sewer. The approximate cost of the whole of these works is £15,500; of which £900 are due to the progress made by Messrs. Marshall and Maxwell in the past month. The Clerk of Works employed hereon was Mr. G. Marshall, at the weekly cost of £3 3s.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE RIVER.

Plough Road, Swing Bridge Road, and Trinity Street Sewers.—The lengths of sewer completed by Mr. Nicholson are 3,140 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 2,560 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ in brickwork, and 54 feet of cast-iron pipe, 4′ 0″ in diameter, laid under one of the entrances to the Commercial Docks. A further length of about 20 feet of brick sewer is in progress, and about 1,670 feet of stoneware pipes, varying from 18″ to 6″ in diameter, have been laid for drain connections, &c. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the several minor works incidental thereto, is about £13,760; of which £840 represent the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works in charge of this and the following contract is Mr. G. Phillips, the assistant is Mr. H. Noble, and their weekly wages amount to £4 18s.

Kennington and Lambeth Sewers.—Messrs. Dickinson and Oliver have completed lengths of about 1,000 feet of 5′ 0″ × 3′ 4″; 3,800 feet of 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ and 1,190 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick-sewers, and have a further length of about 800 feet in progress. About 4,500 feet of stoneware pipe connections, varying from 15″ to 6″ in diameter, have also been laid. The total estimated cost of the whole of the foregoing, and of the several minor works incidental thereto is about £12,750, of which £2,100 are due to the progress made in the past month. The principal Clerk of Works employed hereon is Mr. G. Phillips; the assistants are Messrs. W. Morton, W. Jeffery, and B. Butcher, and their weekly wages amount to £11 4s.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the said Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd June, 1870, on letters from the Medical Officer of Health for St. George, Hanover-square, and the Rev. Mr. Walker, relative to complaints of offensive smells from the temporary pumping operations connected with the Low Level Sewerage works at Pimlico; stating that the contractors, Messrs. Hiscox and Williams, had been directed to take every precaution to avoid any nuisance and that they had done so, as far as was consistent with the progress of the works, which were being expedited so as to enable them to dispense with the pumping referred to at the earliest moment and thus close the opening to the sewer with which it is connected, and recommending that the complainants be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd June, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts, viz.—

	£	s.	d.
Lengthening of the side entrance to the Sewer opposite the "Boston Arms," Junction-road, Kentish Town..	33	10	0
Repairs of seven gullies; fixing two new air grates; and repairs to gully shoots and receivers, High-street, Shoreditch, from the Parish Church to the south side of Bateman's-row	20	0	0
	£53	10	0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

10. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 2nd June, 1870.

On notice from the Metropolitan Street Tramways Company, dated 25th ultimo, stating that it is their intention to commence, at the expiration of fourteen days, a portion of the works authorised by their Act, and requesting this Board to signify their approval or disapproval thereto, or give such other directions in lieu thereof as they may deem requisite.

The line of tramway to which this notice refers will be in continuation of that recently opened along the Brixton-road to Kennington-park-road. It will commence in the latter road, near William-street, and proceed thence along a part of the road to and along the Kennington-road to Westminster-bridge-road. The Board's sewerage works are in progress in the portion of the Kennington-road between Walnut-tree-walk and Westminster-bridge-road, but they will probably be completed before the tramway works get so far.

I recommend the Board to signify their approval to the Company's works, subject to their being executed, so far as required by the Act, to the satisfaction of the Board's officers, and at the sole cost of the Company.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that the proposed works be approved on condition that they be executed, so far as required by the Company's Act, to the satisfaction of the officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

11. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
2nd June, 1870.

DRAIN CONNECTIONS—FULHAM DISTRICT.

I have to report that upon a recent examination of the Board's main lines at the extreme western end of the Metropolis, the following drains were found to have been connected therewith—most of them in a very defective, unworkmanlike manner—without any previous notice having been given to the Board, as required by the 46th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, 1862, viz.—

1 9-inch pipe from Clark's Lead Mills, Hammersmith, connected with the Low Level Sewer.

16 drain-eyes, connected with the Main Sewer in the Grove-road.

1 15-inch drain-eye, connected with the Low Level Sewer, near Pinchin and Johnson's Oil Mills, Hammersmith.

1 9-inch drain-eye, in course of connection with the Main Sewer in King-street, Hammersmith.

1 9-inch drain-eye connected with the Main Sewer in Shepherd's Bush-road, near New-road.

1 9-inch drain-eye, in course of connection with Main Sewer, opposite Etheldreda-villas.

All these unauthorised connections are situate in the Fulham District, and I recommend that the attention of the Local Board should be at once directed to the matter; that they should be requested to have the defective works properly made good; and, in future, to give the three days' notice to this Board before commencing any works of connection with their sewers, as required by the Act.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Fulham District Board.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd June, 1870, stating that the contractor, Mr. Webster, had delivered his account for the construction of the Southern Embankment, and that it was necessary to have the services of Mr. Charles Whitaker, the Clerk of Works who was employed thereon, to assist in checking such account, that he would probably be required for about twenty days, and requesting the Board's authority to engage him, at the rate of 21s. per day, for the purpose.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Engineer be authorized accordingly.

13. The Clerk laid before the Board the statement of the allowance by the Auditor, Mr. William Andoe, of the Accounts of the Board for the year ending the 25th March, 1870, as follows—

STATEMENT OF THE ALLOWANCE OF THE AUDITOR.

I, William Andoe, the Auditor appointed by the Right Honorable Henry Austin Bruce, one of her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to audit the accounts of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the year ending the 25th day of March, 1870, having carefully examined the accounts of the said Board for that year, and the books and documents in their custody relating thereto, do hereby certify and declare that I have this day audited the said accounts at their office, Spring Gardens, in the County of Middlesex, in the presence of Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, William Henry Dalton, Esq., Charles Harris, Esq., E. Collinson, Esq., Cyrus Legg, Esq., and E. Dresser Rogers, Esq., members of the Board; and that the said accounts are true and correct; and I do allow the same, and sign the statements and accounts required by the Acts 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 120; 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 115 and 150; 21 and 22 Vict., cap. 38 and 104; 25 and 26 Vict., cap. 93 and 102; 26 and 27 Vict., cap. 45 and 75; 27 Vict., cap. 4; 28 Vict., cap. 3 and 121; 28 and 29 Vict., cap. 90; 29 and 30 Vict., cap. 150; 31 Vict., cap. 7; 31 and 32 Vict., cap., 135; 32 and 33 Vict., cap. 134; and 32 and 33 Vict., cap. 102; in token of such my allowance thereof.

Given under my hand this 31st day of May, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy.

(Signed) WM. ANDOE, Auditor.

The Clerk also laid before the Board the following General Summary of their Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 25th March, 1870—

General Summary of the Receipts and Expendit

Accounts.	Balances on 26th March, 1869.	Receipts.				To
		Receipts from the Public.		Transactions between various Accounts of the Board.		
		Precepts, Sales of Land, &c.	Loans raised.	Temporary Loans and Advances.	Transfers.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
General	148,456 13 7	234,074 1 7	1,779,915 0 0	270,791 13 3	242,060 5 8	2,526,84
Fire Brigade	12,209 2 3	49,302 14 1	..	15,000 0 0	35,000 0 0	99,30
Covent Garden Approach	372 12 5	209 13 10	..	40,003 19 11	..	40,21
Southwark and Westminster Communication	11,929 17 5	9,431 1 9	..	30,000 0 0	30,000 0 0	69,43
Victoria Park Approach	418 11 11	196 10 3	..	5,000 0 0	..	5,19
Finsbury Park	116 15 10	..	..	12,000 0 0	58,000 0 0	70,00
Southwark Park	355 9 2	..	..	4,000 0 0	29,000 0 0	33,00
Whitechapel Improvement	165 0 5	1,254 1 6	..	..	41,900 0 0	43,15
Holborn Do.	175 8 10	..	..	..	15,000 0 0	15,00
Kensington Do.	623 1 3	4,491 3 2	..	13,000 0 0	31,000 0 0	48,49
Stingo Lane Do.	..	39,005 5 3	..	..	38,800 0 0	77,80
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	16,972 7 3	29 19 2	100,000 0 0	..	130,000 0 0	230,02
Park Lane Improvement	..	..	..	..	15,000 0 0	15,000
Chelsea Embankment	..	..	..	..	5,000 0 0	5,000
Main Drainage Rate Collection	1,940 9 5	14,982 6 9	..	..	..	14,982
Thames Embankment, North	36,243 15 10	55,954 15 9	100,000 0 0	..	..	155,954
Southern Embankment	42,502 1 4	115,327 7 9	100,000 0 0	..	..	215,32
Mansion House Street	132,182 19 7	5,365 8 9	..	..	..	5,365
Main Drainage Sinking Fund	57,536 15 2	138,156 11 0	..	..	14,706 3 0	152,862
Consolidated Loans Fund	..	83,487 2 0	..	20,000 0 0	195,386 15 2	298,87
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	..	..	..	..	25,237 1 7	25,237
Metropolitan Sewage and Essex Reclamation	25,000 0 0	550 6 6	..	..	..	550
	487,201 1 8	751,818 9 1	2,079,915 0 0	409,795 13 3	906,090 5 5	4,147,619
					Cash Balance at commencement of the Year	487,201
In addition to the above Cash Balances the sum of £4,000 stands as a floating Balance to the Wages and Petty Disbursement Account.					£	4,634,820
Investment Accounts—						
Stock—						
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	110,382 2 5	27,148 7 3	..	..	..	27,148
Consolidated Loans Fund	..	..	..	..	128,621 2 3	128,621
						155,769
					Balance at commencement of the Year	110,382
					£	266,151 1

Spring Gardens,
31st May, 1870.

R THE YEAR ENDING 25TH MARCH, 1870.

PAYMENTS.

Payments to the Public.		Transactions between various Accounts of the Board.		Total.	Balances on 25th March, 1870.
General Payments.	Loans repaid, including £303,000 advanced to Managers of Metropolitan Asylum District.	Temporary Loans and Advances.	Transfers.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
269,888 9 3	1,327,494 19 6 303,000 0 0	126,146 19 11	414,074 8 7	2,440,604 17 3	234,692 16 10
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			£	266,151 11 11	

(Signed) WM. ANDOE,
Auditor.

14. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Amendment Bill, stood deferred until the 14th June next, and that petitions from the following parties had been presented against the Bill, viz., the respective Vestries of the parishes of St. Augustine, Allhallows, and Saint John-the-Evangelist; the Governors of Bethlehem Hospital; and from inhabitants of Bermondsey and Rotherhithe, for the insertion of a clause in the Bill for preventing the erection of buildings in Southwark Park.

15. The Solicitor reported that a question had been put in the House of Commons by Mr. Whalley, M.P., to the Home Secretary, as to the intentions of the Government with respect to the recommendations of the Commissioners on Water Supply, and that Mr. Bruce had in effect stated that a measure with regard to the water supply could not properly be carried out unless in connection with the measures for creating a general government for the metropolis.

16. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Navigation Bill had been read a first time in the House of Lords last Tuesday, and referred to the Examiners.

17. The Solicitor reported that he had seen the Vestry Clerks of Bermondsey with reference to the case of Messrs. Shirley and Horne, as to a building at the corner of Rolls-road; that the parties did not need any affidavit from the Board, and that he quite agreed with them that the Board could not interfere at present; and that he would take care to confer with the Vestry Clerks upon the subject if it became necessary.

18. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill was not yet printed.

19. The Solicitor reported that the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill stood committed for the 13th instant.

20. The Solicitor reported that the Board's Loans Bill was read a third time and passed in the House of Commons last Tuesday.

21. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Corporation of London Bill had been further adjourned until the 9th instant; and that the second reading of the County of London Bill also stood deferred until that day.

22. The Solicitor reported that the second reading of the Stamp Duty on Deeds Bill stood deferred until the 13th instant.

23. The Solicitor reported that Captain Dawson Damer, M.P., had put a question in the House of Commons to the First Commissioner of Works, &c., with reference to the state of the garden in Leicester-square, and that Mr. Ayrton had replied thereto to the effect that it would be necessary to obtain a private Act for dealing with the garden, and that the duty of obtaining such an Act rested with the Local Authority.

24. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion, with reference to the Kensington Road Improvement Bill, had been given by Mr. Ayrton, M.P., "That the Bill be committed "to a Select Committee of nine Members—four to be nominated by the house, and five by the "Committee of Selection" and that it stood for the 13th instant.

25. The Solicitor reported that the promoters of the North Metropolitan Tramways Bill had withdrawn their objection to the *locus standi* of the Board.

26. The Solicitor reported that the second reading in the House of Lords of the Metropolitan Regulations Bill stood for the 16th instant.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill was read a third time and passed in the House of Lords on Monday last.

28. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet had a full opportunity of considering the Stamp Duties Bill, but that it seemed rather to affect the general law of stamps.

29. The Solicitor reported that the notice of motion by Mr. W. H. Smith, with reference to the reclaimed land on the Thames Embankment, North, had not yet been before the House of Commons.

30. The Solicitor reported that the Tramways (Government) Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords last Monday, and referred to a Select Committee; that the Select Committee was to be named on the 13th instant, and that the following were the names proposed for the Committee:—Lord Privy Seal, Duke of Cleveland, Marquis of Salisbury, Earl

Kellie, Earl of Airlie, Earl Graham, Earl Cadogan, Earl of Morley, Viscount Eversley, Lord Steward, Lord Saltoun, Lord Redesdale, Lord Silchester, Lord Belper, and Lord Lyveden.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a Petition against the Bill.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Petition; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to petitions on behalf of the Board against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present before the next meeting.

32. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing, viz.—

Deed Poll with Messrs. Johnson and Deacon, and others, with respect to property required for the Stingo Lane Improvement, and a Memorial for the Registration of the same.

Appointment of Mr. Barnett and Mr. Vulliamy, Surveyors and Valuers in the matter of the rent charge of the Trustees of All Saints, Dorchester, in respect of property in Size-lane required for the new street to the Mansion-house.

Leases to Mr. Broadbridge of premises erected on part of Plot No. 14 in the line of the Kensington Improvement.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed Poll and Memorial, Appointment, and Leases, and duplicate, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Solicitor presented a letter from Messrs. Baker and Co., Solicitors to Mr. Shutt, dated 1st June, 1870, agreeing to accept £40 in payment of his claim against the Board, and requesting the Board to order a cheque for that amount to be drawn.

Resolved—That the application be complied with, and that a cheque be now drawn; and a cheque was drawn accordingly.

34. The Solicitor presented a notice of Appeal to the House of Lords, in the case of the Board and the Duke of Buccleuch.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do take all the necessary steps for upholding the judgment given by the Court of Error in the case.

35. The Solicitor reported that George Seymour and James Donovan had been convicted, on the 25th ultimo, of sweeping mud into the Board's sewer in Bethnal Green-road, Shoreditch, and had been fined 10s. each and the cost of the summonses, or, in default, sentenced to seven days imprisonment.

36. The Solicitor reported that judgments had recently been delivered in the superior courts on a question as to a right of way at Greenwich, and as to disallowances of accounts by auditors in the Plumstead District, and he suggested that he should be authorised to obtain full notes of such judgments, with a view to their being printed.

Resolved—That the Solicitor be authorised to obtain full notes of the judgments referred to, and that they be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

37. Read a letter from Mr. T. A. Britton, Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department, dated 2nd June, 1870, stating that he hoped to be sufficiently recovered to attend to in-door office duties on the 13th instant.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

38. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. James Davis, dated 28th May, 1870, with a copy of a circular descriptive of his Patent "Savour" for utilising the Sewage of Towns.

39. The Clerk presented the following letter—

Chamber of London, Guildhall,
31st May, 1870.

To J. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund.

Dear Sir,—I beg leave to inform you that I have this day applied for a receivable order from

the Treasury for the payment to the above account at the Bank of England of the sum of £59,753 15s. 6d., being the net proceeds of the Coal and Wine Duties payable to that fund for the quarter ended the 31st March last.

I am, &c.

(Signed) B. SCOTT, Chamberlain.

40. The Clerk presented a communication from the Vestry of Lambeth—

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the said communication be received and entered on the minutes of proceedings of this day, and it is entered accordingly.

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth.

Vestry Hall, Kennington Green, S., 1st June, 1870.

MUNICIPAL BOROUGHS (METROPOLIS) BILL.

DEAR SIR,—As instructed by the Vestry, I beg to forward copy of Resolutions passed at a Vestry Meeting held on the 26th ultimo, with a request that you will submit the same for the consideration and support of the Metropolitan Board of Works at the next meeting thereof.

I remain, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq. (Signed) THOS. ROFFEY, Vestry Clerk.

MUNICIPAL BOROUGHS (METROPOLIS) BILL.

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth.

At an adjourned Vestry Meeting, held at the Vestry Hall, on Thursday, the 26th May, 1870, at six o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of resuming the debate on the Bills before the House of Commons relating to Municipal Corporations.

Present: P. W. Funnell, Esq., in the Chair.

And also 55 Vestrymen.

It was *unanimously Resolved*—

That this Vestry is of opinion, that any measure for the re-organisation of the general Municipal Government of the Metropolis, should be framed upon the principal of One Central Administration for the whole Metropolis, altogether composed of Representatives, elected proportionally from the several constituent localities of the collective area.

That this Vestry disapproves of any legislation, which may lead to deprive them of the privileges of Local Self-Government, under which this parish has effected such great improvements during the last fifteen years; and more particularly to the provisions in Mr. Buxton's Bills, for the constitution of the several local or subordinate districts, for the reason, that it is proposed to combine together large areas, composed of dissimilar, if not opposing, elements, with a greatly decreased local representation, by which the control necessary to ensure efficiency and economy, would be lost; but they do not oppose the revision by the Legislature, of sub-divisions, which experience may have shown to be practically inconvenient.

It was *unanimously Resolved*—

That a copy of the Resolution just agreed to, be sent to the Home Secretary—the Corporation of the City of London—the Metropolitan Board of Works—the Members for the County and Borough; and to all the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

Extracted from the Minutes.

(Signed) THOS. ROFFEY, Vestry Clerk.

Vestry Hall, Kennington, 28th May, 1870.

41. The Clerk laid before the Board a Memorial signed by Mr. G. W. Currie and other inhabitants of Hyde-park-street objecting to the proposed alteration in the numbering of their houses, and a letter from Mr. G. W. Currie, dated 2nd June, 1870, on the same subject.

Resolved—That the said Memorial and letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

42. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. James Brunlees, dated 31st May, 1870, with three Plans and a letter from Mr. S. B. Robertson, Solicitor to the projected Mid-London Railway, dated 31st May, 1870, descriptive of a proposed new street from Holborn to the Strand, as suggested in connection with the Railway.

Resolved—That the said communication and plans be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

43. It was moved by Mr. Hows, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Thompson—"That "the Engineer be instructed to write to Mr. Haywood, Engineer to the City Commissioners "of Sewers, requesting to be informed as to the result of two examinations recently made by "that gentleman upon the state of the Asphalte roadway laid down in Threadneedle-street, "about twelve months since, and that the Engineer do report the result to the Board."

After discussion the motion was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

44. Mr. Newton, Deputy-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 3rd June, 1870.

Your Committee have had under consideration the course to be taken by the Board before the Committee of the House of Commons with regard to the various private Tramway Bills. Three of the Bills are promoted by Companies who obtained Acts last session, viz., the North Metropolitan Tramways Company, the Metropolitan Street Tramways Company, and the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways Company. As regards the Bills of these three Companies, your Committee, acting on behalf of the Board, have expressed their willingness to consent to power being given to the Companies to construct certain additional lines, on condition that in their Bills they inserted provisions making the tramways sanctioned by Parliament in their Acts of last session, as well as the new lines, subject to the operation of the Government Tramways Bill now before Parliament. The Board at the same time reserved their right to present any special objections which they might entertain to any of the new lines, arising from interference with any of the sewers, or other works of the Board, &c. Your Committee have requested the Engineer to report whether there are any such objections, and, in the event of there being any, they will be presented to the Committee of the House of Commons. With regard to the other two private Bills, viz., the North London Tramways Bill, and the London Street Tramways Bill, these are promoted by parties who have at present no authority to construct tramways, and your Committee are of opinion that their Bills should not be passed, but that they should proceed under the Government Bill, obtaining the sanction of the local authority instead of that of Parliament. Your Committee have, therefore, instructed the Solicitor to ask the House of Commons Committee to reject these two Bills on preamble, and, for that purpose, to retain two Counsel, to be employed in case of necessity.

With regard to the Government Tramways Bill, this has now been referred to a Select Committee of the House of Lords, and your Committee have instructed the Solicitor to prepare a petition for presentation to that House, and to instruct two Counsel to appear on behalf of the Board, if he finds it necessary, to prevent any serious alteration of the Bill as it now stands, making the Board the local authority.

With regard to the Bill of the Metropolitan Railway Company for abandoning a portion of their Tower Hill Extension, and the Bill of the Metropolitan District Railway Company for extending their line to the Mansion House, your Committee have the satisfaction of reporting that, after a long and careful inquiry by the Committee of the House of Lords, that Committee have unanimously decided to reject both proposals. The Committee sat for nine days on the two Bills, and the inquiry was of the fullest character. Three Counsel appeared for the Board, and the most strenuous opposition was offered by them to the two Bills, which were also strongly opposed by Counsel for the Corporation of the City of London. The decision of the House of Commons has thus been reversed. The House of Lords Committee have decided, however, to extend the time within which the Metropolitan Railway Company are to complete their line to two years, and with regard to the District Railway Company, certain powers are to be given to them for the erection of a station at or near Bread-street.

Your Committee have, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 20th ultimo (No. 28), considered the Kensington Road Improvement Bill. The object proposed in the Bill is to widen the road skirting Hyde Park opposite the Hall of Arts and Sciences, by taking away a considerable portion of the edge of the park, necessitating the destruction of many trees. Having regard, however, to the fact that this measure is introduced by Her Majesty's Government, and that the Board have no control over Hyde Park, your Committee do not deem it advisable that the Board should take any action in the matter.

With regard to the Thames Navigation Bill, your Committee propose that a petition should be presented to the House of Lords to prevent any serious alteration of the Bill as agreed to by the Select Committee of the House of Commons, so far, at least, as affects the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
WM. NEWTON,
P. H. LE BRETON,
C. H. ELT.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Bills promoted by Tramway Companies be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tramways Bill introduced by the Government, be approved.

It was **moved** by Mr. Newton, and seconded by Mr Hall—That so much of the Report as relates to the Kensington Road Improvement Bill be approved and adopted.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Shaw—"That, "in the opinion of this Board, the Kensington Road Improvement Bill ought not to receive "the sanction of Parliament."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, a division was demanded and granted, and the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—23.

Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Hogg, Col. J. M.	White, T. J., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	
Meaden, G. P., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Westerton.

Against the Amendment—13.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Newton.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative; and having been put as an **original motion**—

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until the motion by Mr. Ayrton, M.P., with reference to the appointment of the Select Committee on the Bill shall have been dealt with by the House of Commons.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—11.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Clark, W, Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Legg.

Against the Amendment—22.

Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Taylor, H. L. Esq., Deputy.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	
Healey, F., Esq.	
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Westerton.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was

Resolved—That, in the opinion of this Board, the Kensington Road Improvement Bill ought not to receive the sanction of Parliament.

It was then **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Healey—"That the Board d "present a petition to the House of Commons, praying them not to pass the Kensington Road "Improvement Bill into law."

The **motion**, having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—22.

Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Roche, C. M., Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Westerton, C., Esq.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

Against the Motion—11.

Adams, B. H., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.
Hall, J. O., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq., Ald.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Clark.

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was then **moved** by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Healey—"That it be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee to take steps for "opposing the Kensington Road Improvement Bill in Parliament with authority to retain "Counsel on behalf of the Board."

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and seconded by Mr. Legg—"That the matter be referred back to the Parliamentary Committee to watch the proceedings "in reference to the Bill, and to report thereon, from time to time, to the Board."

After discussion, the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and the **amendment** was put as an **original motion**—

Whereupon an **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Savage—"That "the Solicitor do prepare the Petition against the Bill as ordered by the Board this day, that "such Petition do contain an allegation that, in the opinion of the Board, the work proposed "by the Bill is not such an improvement as would justify the taking a portion of Hyde Park, "and removing a number of the trees; that the Chairman be authorised to affix the Seal of the "Board to the said Petition, and that it be presented to the House of Commons on the first "day of the meeting of Parliament after the Whitsuntide recess."

The **motion** was, after discussion, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, and the **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**.

Whereupon an **amendment** was **moved** by Mr. Runtz, and seconded by Mr. Alderman Gibbons—"That, before coming to a decision on the subject, the Board do view the roadway in "question."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.

Brushfield, T., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.
Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.
Hall, J. O., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Runtz, J., Esq.
Thompson, E. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Legg.

Against the Amendment—18.

Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Westerton, C., Esq.
White, T. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Roche.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved—That the Solicitor do prepare the Petition against the Kensington Road Improvement Bill, as ordered by the Board this day; that such Petition do contain an allegation that, in the opinion of the Board, the work proposed by the Bill is not such an improvement as would justify the taking a portion of Hyde-park and removing a number of the trees; that the Chairman be authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to the said Petition, and that it be presented to the House of Commons on the first day of the Meeting of Parliament after the Whitsuntide recess.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That so much of the Report as relates to the Thames Navigation Bill be approved.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the Petition to the House of Lords against the said Bill.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Petition; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

45. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
3rd June, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to the application of Mr. T. Lambert, 89, Union-road, Newington, for a license to store petroleum for sale. (15,177.)

The premises of the applicant having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, I recommend that a license be granted for 12 months.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

Resolved—That a License be granted to the undermentioned person to keep Petroleum in the place and in the quantity stated below, for a period of twelve calendar months from the 3rd instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept	Storage
NEWINGTON.	Lambert, T.	15,177	89, Union Road.	1 Gal.	Shop bts.

The license was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said License; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. CAMBERWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace A. Alexander, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for a row of houses and three shops in Wellington Road, as shown upon the amended plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the main or upper frontage of the three proposed shop buildings be kept back in a line with the other intended houses, viz., 16 feet from the public way; that shops only one storey in height, be brought out to a line 12 feet in advance of such main building line, that the vacant space, four feet in width, between the proposed shops and the public way be given up to the public, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. CLERKENWELL.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Habershon and Brock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay window and porch in front of St. Silas's Parsonage, No. 23, Penton-street, Pentonville, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown

on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Warren, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay windows in front of three houses in course of erection in Albion-grove, Lewisham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Lammie, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building in Enfield-road South, De Beauvoir Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

50. Newington—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1870, on the application of Messrs. W. S. Holland and Son, on behalf of Mr. Drawater, for the consent of the Board to the re-erection of the "Ostrich Arms," Penton-place, to the line of frontage shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop only be brought out to the line proposed; that the shop do not exceed sixteen feet in height; that the main building be kept back to the line of the adjoining house, No. 89, Penton-place, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Clark, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico to a villa situate at the corner of Spencer-road and Charlewood-road, Putney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Burton, requesting the Board to re-consider their Order of the 6th instant (No. 45), refusing their permission to his retaining a corrugated zinc front to a stable at Oak Cottage, Devonshire-road, and recommending, for the reasons stated in the report, that the inclosure be allowed to remain.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the Report be approved, and that permission be given for the metal inclosure to remain.

53. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870 on the application of Mr. S. Durrant, on behalf of the Rev. J. F. Holmes, for the consent of the Board to the re-construction of a temporary church, proposed to be removed from Leigham Court-road, Streatham, to Trinity-road, Wandsworth Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that iron columns be substituted for the wooden storey posts to support the roofs and clerestory; that the clerestory be constructed of brickwork carried on wood bressumers, and with the window frames inserted in reveal; that the reveals to all window and door openings be at least 4½ inches deep, that the roof trusses be 4½ inches in thickness, or the old materials may be used by placing two trusses side by side, that proper wall pieces supported on corbels be put to all the roofs; that the eaves of the nave roof be covered in cement one inch thick, and that the whole of the work be done to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

54. Whitechapel.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Walter Poole, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at Fashion-street, Spitalfields.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

55. Fulham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. A. C. Bean, on behalf of Mr. Lowther, for approval by the Board of a modified plan for the formation of a new street in the rear of the "Lillie Arms," Lillie-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be not granted.

56. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. G. Harris, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the back of South-crescent, Lewisham-road, as shown upon the amended plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

57. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Leonard Field, for approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a mews and the erection of stabling and two cottages on vacant land in the rear of Prince's-terrace, York-road, Wandsworth.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

58. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. J. Crookenden, complaining of inconvenience caused by the similarity in the names of "Kidbrooke-park," "Kidbrooke-park-road," "Kidbrooke-park-road, West,' and "Kidbrooke-road, East," applied to four new roads at right angles with Shooter's-hill-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

59. St. Luke, Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. H. Henshaw, complaining of inconvenience caused by there being two streets in the City-road in different postal deliveries named "Macclesfield-street."

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Elt—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

60. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw; Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the appointment, by the Board, of Fees to Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the Eastern Division of the City of London, in respect of services performed by him relative to Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

Resolved and **ordered**—That Fees, amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 7 inclusive, be paid to Mr. John Young, the District Surveyor, mentioned in such Accounts, in respect of services performed by him, in surveying Dangerous Structures within the City of London.

61. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. G. J. Lough, for consent to a deviation from the plan approved by the Board on the 23rd April, 1869, (No. 59), for the frontage line for proposed houses in Cook's Ground, King's-road, and the widening of the road in front of the same, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the line of the boundary road marked A on Plan be defined by a straight line extending from the corner marked C on Plan to the angle of the house, No. 1, Rolls-terrace, and as shown by the blue line; that the vacant ground outside such line be given up to the public and be paved by the Vestry, and that the line of frontage of any new buildings in the said road be parallel to such line of boundary, but be kept back therefrom the depth of the side court to the corner house already sanctioned by the Board.

62. St. Margaret, Westminster—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870, stating that Mr. Edward D. Drury, District Surveyor of St. Margaret and St. John-the-Evangelist and the Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, proposed to take an office temporarily at No. 111, Victoria-street.

Resolved—That the situation of the said District Office be approved.

63. Westminster—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Whitehead, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a shed, supported on iron columns and covered with pantiles, at the premises, No. 13, Vauxhall-bridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the shed be removed at the expiration of the present tenancy of the premises, No. 13, Vauxhall-bridge-road.

Adjourned until Friday the 17th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 22.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **17th** day of **June**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Runtz, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	Sir William Tite, M.P.	Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.	James Richard Lloyd, Esq.
	Thomas John White, Esq.	Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
	Edward John Thompson, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 3rd instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. The Chairman laid before the Board a Certificate from Dr. W. Pocock, dated 16th June, 1870, as to the inability of Mr. John Morgan, Surveyor in the Superintending Architect's Department, at present to resume his duties, in consequence of illness. The Chairman also informed the Board that Mr. Britton's health was not sufficiently restored to enable him to return to his duties in the Architect's Department, and he suggested that the cases of those two officers should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

Resolved—That the Chairman's suggestion be acted upon, and that the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. Read the following communications—

Guildhall, E.C., 16th June, 1870.

The Town Clerk presents his compliments to Mr. Pollard, and begs to forward to him the accompanying copy of a Resolution passed by the Court of Common Council this day, appointing H. L. Taylor, Esq., Deputy, and J. E. Saunders, Esq , to be Members of the Metropolitan Board.

A Common Council holden in the Chamber of the Guildhall of the City of London, on Thursday, the 16th day of June, 1870.

BESLEY, Mayor.

This day the Court proceeded to the appointment of two persons to be Members of the Metropolitan Board, in accordance with the 44th Section of the Act of Parliament of the 18th and 19th Victoria, Cap. 120, intituled "an Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis" in the room of Members, who, by effluxion of time, ceased to be Members of the Board on Wednesday the 8th instant.

RESOLVED, *unanimously*—That this Court doth hereby appoint Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy, and James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq., F.G.S., to be Members of the said Metropolitan Board, in pursuance of the Act of the 18th and 19th Victoria, Cap. 120.

(Signed) WOODTHORPE.

Charlton, S.E., 16th June, 1870.

SIR,—I beg to inform you that at the united Meeting of the respective Boards of Works for the Districts of Plumstead and Lewisham, held, in accordance with the Metropolis Management Act, at this office, James R. Lloyd, Esq., of Belmont-hill, Lee, S.E., was duly elected to represent those two Boards at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JAS. MURRAY DALE,
Clerk to the Plumstead District Board of Works.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

St. Martin-in-the-Fields Vestry Hall,
June 9th, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I have great pleasure in acquainting you that the Vestry have *unanimously* re-elected William Henry Dalton, Esq. as a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, representing this Parish.

I am, &c.,,

(Signed) J. DANGERFIELD,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Vestry of the Parish of Lambeth, Vestry Hall, Kennington Green, S.,
10th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward you copy of a Resolution passed at a Vestry Meeting of this Parish, held at the Vestry Hall, on Thursday, the 9th day of June instant, at six o'clock in the evening.

RESOLVED, *unanimously*—That Robert Taylor, Esq., and Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq., be re-elected Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. ROFFEY,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.

Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, Board Room, Mount-street, London, W.
10th June, 1870,

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that the Vestry of this Parish at their Meeting this day re-elected Col. J. M. Hogg and Charles Westerton, Esq., to be Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) J. H. SMITH,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

At a Meeting of the Board of Works for the Strand District, held at the Board Offices, 5, Tavistock-street, Covent Garden, on Wednesday, the 8th June, 1870.

Present—Mr. Wilkinson, in the Chair, and 31 other Members.

The Clerk having stated that the Board had been summoned to proceed to the election of a representative from this Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works—

It was MOVED by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and

RESOLVED, *unanimously*—That John Samuel Phillips, Esq., be re-elected the representative of this Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the three years next ensuing.

(Extracted from the Minutes) (Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS,
Clerk to the Board.

The Board of Works for the Strand District, 5, Tavistock-street, Covent Garden, W.C.,
9th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to subjoin copy of a Resolution passed by this Board at its Meeting last evening, in reference to the re-election of John Samuel Phillips, Esq., as representative of this Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Copy of Resolution passed by the Strand District Board of Works on Wednesday, the 8th June, 1870. Mr. G. Wilkinson in the Chair.

RESOLVED, *unanimously*—That the thanks of this Board be presented to J. S. Phillips, Esq., for the great attention he has paid to the duties devolving upon him as the representative of this Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works, and for the very zealous and exceedingly satisfactory manner in which he has dealt with the various questions that from time to time have been brought before that Board; that the Clerk be instructed to convey this vote of thanks to Mr. Phillips, and forward a copy of this Resolution to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. M. JENKINS,
Clerk to the Board.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Vestry Hall, Camberwell, S.E., June 8th, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Vestry of this Parish to acquaint you that Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq., was, at a Vestry held this evening, unanimously re-elected Representative of this Vestry to the Metropolitan Board of Works pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) GEO. W. MARSDEN, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.

Town Hall, Hackney, E., London, 9th June, 1870.

BOARD OF WORKS, HACKNEY DISTRICT.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that, at a meeting of this Board of Works held this date, John Runtz, Esq., of Lordship Road, Stoke Newington, was unanimously re-elected representative from this Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS, Clerk to the Board of Works.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board.

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea,
Vestry Hall, King's Road, S.W., 9th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed to acquaint you, for the information of the Metropolitan Board of Works, that at a Special Meeting of this Vestry held this day, a Resolution was passed, of which I annex a copy.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) CHAS. LAHEE,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk of the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

"Resolved unanimously—That Sir William Tite, M.P., &c., &c., &c., of No. 42, Lowndes "Square, be, and he is hereby, re-elected, a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works."

Board of Works, (Greenwich District) Offices, Church Street, Greenwich, S.E.
16th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that at the Meeting of the Greenwich District Board of Works held yesterday, the 15th instant, Guilford Barker Richardson, Esquire, of Stainton Place, Blackheath, was elected to represent that Board at the Metropolitan Board of Works, in accordance with the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) E. W. JAMES,
Clerk to the Board.

Jno. Pollard, Esq.

Saint Pancras, Middlesex, Department of General Business,
Vestry Office, King's Road, Pancras Road, 16th June, 1870.

J. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works,

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that, at a meeting of the Vestry of this Parish held yesterday the following resolution was adopted, viz.—

"That Francis Healey, Esquire, J.P., of No. 92, Regent's Park Road, be, and is hereby, elected "a Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works for this Parish."

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOS. ECCLESTON GIBB, Vestry Clerk.

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4. A Deputation from inhabitants of Marlborough-road and Finchley-road, St. John's Wood, introduced by Mr. Nicholay, consisting of Mr. Waterman, Mr. Hoyte, Mr. Fabian, Mr. Lewis, and Mr. Snowdon, attended the Board and presented a Memorial, which was read as follows—

To the Honorable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The humble Petition of the Undersigned Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the Parish of Marylebone.

SHEWETH,

That an application has been lately made to this Honorable Board by Mr. James Miller, on behalf of Mr. J. Carter (case No. 15,087), for the Board's consent to the erection of a greenhouse or office building at the entrance to the Knights of St. John Tavern, in the Finchley Road, to project to the line of adjoining forecourts.

That your Memorialists have the strongest objections against the erection of the proposed structure. 1stly. Because it is intended to project wholly beyond the line of frontage of the adjoining houses, which line is within fifty feet of the highway. 2ndly. That the said building, even if used for the sale of flowers (for which purpose the applicant, Mr. Carter, admits it is required), would most injuriously affect the appearance of the neighbourhood, and would, in fact, amount to the introduction of a shop among the private houses in this part of the Finchley Road. 3rdly. There is no guarantee whatever (should this Honorable Board consent to Mr. Carter's application) that it will be used solely for the sale of flowers, but it is strongly apprehended that some much more objectionable trade would eventually be carried on, and that the character of the neighbourhood will be damaged, and the value of the adjoining houses for residential purposes materially depreciated.

And your Petitioners, therefore, pray that your Honorable Board will not sanction the erection of the proposed building. And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) WM. STEVENSON HOYTE,
Occupier of Premises adjoining, 14, Finchley Road, N.W., and 49 others.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support thereof,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Nicholay, seconded by Mr. Shaw—That the said Memorial be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

5. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Board do now proceed to the election of a District Surveyor for Greenwich.

The Clerk laid before the Board the applications which had been received from candidates, and a letter from Mr. George Lansdown, dated 17th June, 1870, accompanied by a medical certificate as to his health, stating his inability to be present this day, and expressing a

hope that the Board would, under the circumstances, permit his name to be retained on the list of candidates.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the request be complied with.

The Clerk also laid before the Board the following communications, viz.—

Letter from Mr. Joseph Liddiard, dated 11th June, 1870, requesting the Board in considering his application for the appointment, to exempt him from their restriction as to age.

Memorial from Mr. Sidney Godwin, dated 6th June, 1870, stating that he has been serving as Deputy District Surveyor, and expressing a hope that the fact of his brother being District Surveyor for South Islington would not prevent his being elected to the District of Greenwich, inasmuch as should he receive the appointment, his brother would place his resignation in the hands of the Board within twelve months from the date of such appointment.

The names of the Candidates were then read, as follows—

Name.	Age.	Address.
Allom, Arthur ..	41	5, Parliament-street.
Clarkson, J. ..	31	Ormond Chambers, 36, Great Ormond-street.
Fletcher, B. ..	36	24, Bedford Square.
Forge, J. W. ..	30	34, St. Mary-at-Hill, Eastcheap.
Foulsham, C. ..	32	28, Craven-street, Charing-cross.
Godwin, Sidney ..	41	24, Alexander-square, S.W.
Gould, C. A. ..	43	20, Great George-street, Westminster.
Gundry, Horace ..	29	13, John-street, Adelphi.
Hayward, C. F. ..	39	20, Montague-street.
James, Robert C. ..	29	11, Southampton-row, W.C.
Innes, Charles ..	44	27, Queen-street, City.
Lansdown, George ..	36	2 and 3, Warwick-street.
Mathews, J. D. ..	32	10, Cloak-lane.
Notley, Robert P. ..	31	53, Gracechurch-street.
Piper, Wilson, T. ..	41	1, Plowden-buildings, Temple.
Quilter, J. S. ..	28	9, Conduit-street.
Raiman, Thomas H.	29	Lawn House, Greenwich.
Richardson, Richard	36	35, Craven-street.
Ridge, L. W. ..	30	23, Bedford-road.
Roberts, Edward ..	49	25, Parliament-street.
Tabberer, Benjamin	38	16, Basinghall-street.
Turner, J. G. ..	30	15A, Wilton-street.
Waine, William ..	35	Albert-road, South Norwood.
Wallen, F. ..	40	(*No address*).
Woodward, John A.J.	30	Finsbury Circus.

It appearing that Mr. Richard Richardson was not present,

Resolved—That his name be struck out from the list.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Fowler —That the number of Candidates be reduced by one vote to six; that the names be then put to the vote *seriatim*, and that the Candidate having the least number of votes be struck off at each voting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Fowler —That the appointment of District Surveyor be subject to the condition, that he shall make no claim for compensation in case a diminution of income shall at any time hereafter arise from any reduction or alteration of Fees by the Board, or from any change of system which may be adopted, either as to the office, its duties, or emoluments, or from any division, reduction, or re-adjustment of Districts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Fowler —That, in the event of a Candidate who already holds a similar position being elected, he be required to resign his previous appointment, and to send in such resignation in writing.

Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department,

Spring Gardens, S.W., 16th June, 1870.

METROPOLITAN BUILDING ACT, 1855.

Memorandum relative to the Interim Surveyorship of Greenwich. (15,134.)

On 20th of May, when the Board accepted the resignation of Mr. Browne, District Surveyor, Greenwich, they also appointed Mr. John Whichcord, District Surveyor, Deptford, to act as Interim Surveyor, until the vacancy should be filled up.

Mr. Whichcord has taken every means to satisfy himself as to works in progress; but, not being able within a month to demand or collect any fees, he asks the Board to direct Mr. Browne's successor to pay Mr. Whichcord such a sum as the Board may consider to be equitable, reserving to the Officer appointed, the power to collect any fees arising since Mr. Browne's ceasing to act.

The average of the fees received in the District during the three years ending December, 1868, amounted to £360 gross; and the proportion for one month would be £30. This was the principle adopted by the Board in regard to the Lewisham District, and although Mr. Whichcord may consider the remuneration small for the time and trouble requisite to fulfil the duties devolved on him by the Board, yet I do not see that more can be given. He is also saved the cost of collecting even the sum stated.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,

Superintending Architect.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the District Surveyor who may be elected this day do pay the sum of £30 to Mr. John Whichcord, as remuneration for his services as Interim Surveyor for the Greenwich District, in consideration of the Fees not collected by him in the District during his period of service.

The names of the remaining Candidates were then severally put to the vote, for the purpose of reducing the number to six, in accordance with the Resolution passed this day, when the result was as follows—

	VOTES.		VOTES.
Mr. Arthur Allom	0	Mr. J. D. Mathews	17
„ Mr. J. Clarkson	14	„ Robert P. Notley	19
„ B. Fletcher	13	„ Wilson T. Piper	21
„ J. W. Forge	9	„ J. S. Quilter	5
„ C. Foulsham	13	„ Thomas H. Raiman	7
„ Sidney Godwin	19	„ L. W. Ridge	15
„ C. A. Gould	17	„ Edward Roberts	14
„ Horace Gundry	12	„ Benjamin Tabberer	24
„ C. F. Hayward	15	„ J. G. Turner	9
„ Robert C. James	10	„ William Waine	5
„ Charles Innes	8	„ F. Wallen	14
„ George Lansdown	19	„ John A. J. Woodward	14

The numbers for Mr. Gould and Mr. Mathews being equal, their names were again put to the vote, when there were—

For Mr. Gould	14
„ Mathews	15

The Board then proceeded with the election by a show of hands taken successively for each of the six Candidates having the largest number of votes, as above, the name of the Candidate having the smallest number of votes being struck off at each voting as follows—

	First Show of Hands.
Mr. S. Godwin	19
„ G. Lansdown	17
„ J. D. Mathews	17
„ R. P. Notley	15
„ W. T. Piper	15
„ B. Tabberer	22

The votes for Mr. Notley and Mr. Piper being equal, their names were again submitted to the Board, when the result was as follows—

Mr. Notley	14
„ Piper	15

The Board then proceeded with the election as follows—

	2nd Show of Hands.	3rd Show of Hands.	4th Show of Hands.	5th Show of Hands.
Mr. S. Godwin	17	21	17	—
„ G. Lansdown ..	14	—	—	—
„ J. D. Mathews ..	17	19	20	13
„ W. T. Piper ..	16	13	—	—
„ B. Tabberer ..	22	23	24	19

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. Benjamin Tabberer be the District Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, for the District of Greenwich.

Mr. Tabberer was then called, and the resolutions passed this day, precluding him from claiming compensation in case of any diminution of income, &c., and as to the payment of £30 to Mr. Whichcord, having been read to him, he stated that he accepted the appointment on the conditions expressed in such resolutions, and, in reply to a question by the Chairman, he also stated that he would personally discharge the duties of the office.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Clerk do communicate the above-mentioned resolutions to Mr. Tabberer, and request him forthwith to intimate, in writing, his acceptance of the conditions expressed therein.

6. This being the day appointed for receiving Tenders for the plots of building land in Southwark Park, the Clerk reported that one Tender had been received, and he laid the same before the Board.

Resolved—That the said Tender be now opened.

The Tender in question was then opened, and was as follows—

Mr. A. Maeers for plots Nos. 1 to 18.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the said Tender be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration, with power to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

7. A deputation, appointed at a public meeting held under the direction of the Southwark Radical Association, introduced by Mr. Harris, and consisting of the following gentlemen, viz., Mr. C. J. Evans, Mr. R. Evans, and Mr. J. Medland, and Mr. W. Stafford, Honorary Secretary to the Association, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, praying the Board, for the reasons stated therein, not to carry into effect their determination to build on portions of Southwark Park.

The memorial having been read,

The deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said memorial be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the deputation be informed that the prayer contained in their memorial cannot be complied with.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—23.		Against the Amendment—8.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Lloyd, J. R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	
Clark, W., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.		
Collinson, E., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.		
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.		
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.		
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.		
Healey, F., Esq.			
Hogg, Col. J. M.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Hudson, G., Esq.			
Teller—Mr. Richardson.		Teller—Mr. Harris.	

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative.

A division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—23.		Against the Motion—8.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.	Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
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Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.		
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.		
Hogg, Col. J. M.	White, T. J., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Richardson.		Teller—Mr. Harris.	

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

8. Mr. Dalton, Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
14th June, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer

and Banker of the Board, together with the Statement prepared by the Accountant, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	Balances, 11th June, 1870.		Cheques drawn, but not issued.	Net Balances.	
	In Debt.	In Credit.		In Debt.	In Credit.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.					
Working Accounts.					
General	..	119,309 7 10	1,073 12 0	..	118,235 15 10
Fire Brigade	..	4,002 4 2	2,369 18 10	..	1,632 5 4
Capital Accounts.					
General	..	500,225 1 3	..	..	500,225 1 3
Fire Brigade	..	14,388 18 2	..	..	14,388 18 2
Southwark and Westminster Communication	..	1,777 12 1	..	..	1,777 12 1
Victoria Park Approach	4,202 18 10	..	..	4,202 18 10	..
Finsbury Park	..	200 15 5	325 0 0	124 4 7	..
Southwark Park	..	518 5 1	..	..	518 5 1
Whitechapel Improvement	3,289 0 8	..	69 14 3	3,358 14 11	..
Kensington Improvement	..	3,378 3 1	131 18 6	..	3,246 4 7
Stingo Lane Improvement	..	36,871 7 6	6,671 10 0	..	30,199 17 6
Main Drainage and Main Sewers	27,236 9 0	..	1,943 16 9	28,980 5 9	..
Park Lane Improvement	..	2,741 2 4	..	..	2,741 2 4
Chelsea Embankment	..	1,608 2 3	..	..	1,608 2 3
Covent Garden Approach	..	1,500 0 0	..	..	1,500 0 0
Holborn Improvement	..	337 17 4	..	..	337 17 4
Miscellaneous.					
Firemen's Savings Fund	..	67 0 1	..	..	67 0 1
Main Drainage Rate Collection	..	2,085 19 6	..	..	2,085 19 6
Consolidated Loans Fund	14,210 1 10		840 4 0	15,050 5 10	..
	48,738 10 4	689,011 16 1	13,425 14 4	51,716 9 11	678,564 1 4
Deduct in Debt	..	48,738 10 4	..	..	51,716 9 11
TOTAL, Consolidated Cash Account	..	640,273 5 9	..	..	626,847 11 5
Wages and Petty Disbursement Account	..	1,934 11 2	532 4 6	..	1,402 6 8
BANK OF ENGLAND.					
Capital Accounts.					
Thames Embankment, North	..	20,590 6 3	55 13 0	..	20,534 13 3
Southern Embankment	..	158,745 12 9	319 17 9	..	158,425 15 0
Mansion House Street	..	29,732 0 3	372 17 1	..	29,359 3 2
TOTAL, Consolidated Cash Account	..	209,067 19 3	748 7 10	..	208,319 11 5
AGGREGATE TOTALS £	..	851,275 16 2	14,706 6 8	..	836,569 9 6

INVESTMENTS.

Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	£8,391 0s. 0d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Ditto—Fire Brigade	669 14s. 5d.	Three per Cent. Consols.
Consolidated Loans Fund	128,621 2s. 3d.	New Three per Cent. Annuities.
Firemen's Savings Fund	2,751 5s. 11d.	Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honourable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED from 30th May to 11th June, 1870—

GENERAL WORKING ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Rates	24 0 0	
Precepts from Parishes, &c.—		
St. Leonard, Shoreditch £4,572 17 7		
St. Olave District 1,432 8 9		
St. George-in-the-East 2,107 2 1		
	8,112 8 5	
Fees for Testing Gas-meters	26 4 0	
Building Act Fees	4 10 0	
Specifications, &c., sold	2 10 0	
Costs, &c., recovered	0 11 0	
		8,170 3 5

FIRE BRIGADE WORKING ACCOUNT.

Attendance at Ex-Metropolitan Fires	7 0 0	
Contributions from Insurance Offices	2 1 9	
Chimney-fire Fines	33 9 6	
Annuities, from National Debt Office	10 0 0	
Subscriptions for Telegraph	15 0 0	
		67 11 3

FIRE BRIGADE CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Costs recovered, *re* Westminster Station		10 18 6

MAIN DRAINAGE RATE COLLECTION.

Rates		44 0 0

CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.

Sale of Plots, &c.	1,320 7 7	
Rents	91 17 0	
		1,412 4 7
		£9,704 17 9

Your Committee have also to report that they have examined the certificates of the various principal officers for the payment to contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and have found the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified therein, amounting in the whole to £20,095 8s. 10d., be paid.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
G. P. MEADEN.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(4102) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Christmas, 1869	295 12 6	
CLARK, A.—		
(4103) Fresh Water supplied at Crossness Pumping Station, May, 1870	16 8 6	
TODMAN, J. W.—		
(4104) Bedding-out Plants for Deptford Pumping Station, May, 1869	2 17 0	
PALLANT, J.—		
(4105) Repairs to Surveying Instruments, &c., January to March, 1870	5 15 0	
PHILLIPS, J., Law Stationer—		
(4106) Fair Copying, &c., April, 1870—		
Architect's Department £74 5 11		
Accountant's ,, 7 8 0		
	81 13 11	
Carried forward	£402 6 11	

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..	402 6 11	.. ..
GRANT, J., Assistant Engineer—			
(4107)	Allowance for Extra Services during absence of the Engineer (as per Order of Board, 5th November, 1869)	105 0 0	
MC DOUGALL, J., Surveyor—			
(4108)	Travelling Expenses, &c., for self and men, March, 1870 £2 15 4		
	,, ,, April, ,, 3 17 2	6 12 6	
BANK OF ENGLAND—			
(4109)	Half Year's Interest on Balance of Loan of £46,000, due 23rd June, 1870 (less tax) £879 18 9		
(4110)	Half Year's Interest on Balance of Loan of £100,000, due 30th June, 1870 (less tax) 1,986 16 0	2,866 14 9	
THWAITES, SIR J., Chairman—			
(4111)	One Quarter's Salary, due Midsummer, 1870	500 0 0	
OFFICERS' SALARIES, &c.—Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—			
	Quarterly List.		
(4112)	Pollard, J., Clerk of the Board £250 0 0		
(4113)	Cresy, E., Principal Clerk, Clerk's Department .. 125 0 0		
(4114)	Bell, T., Assistant ,, ... 43 15 0		
(4115)	Gunn, A., Accountant 150 0 0		
(4116)	Brune, F. D., 1st Clerk, Accountant's Department .. 75 0 0		
(4117)	Campion, G., ,, on Engineer's Accounts .. 75 0 0		
(4118)	Bazalgette, J. W., Engineer 550 0 0		
(4119)	Lovick, T., Assistant Engineer 250 0 0		
(4120)	Grant J., ditto 250 0 0		
(4121)	Cooper, E., ditto (to 1st April) 19 3 7		
(4122)	Houghton, F. E., Superintendent, Crossness P.S. .. 75 0 0		
(4123)	Usher, G., ditto Abbey Mills ,, .. 62 10 0		
(4124)	Jeffree, W., ditto Deptford ,, .. 50 0 0		
(4125)	Morley, H. R., Assistant Clerk, Engineer's Department 65 0 0		
(4126)	Gunyon, T., Superintending Draughtsman ,, .. 125 0 0		
(4127)	Walker, W., Clerk of Works, ,, .. 54 12 0		
(4128)	Lloyd, J. T., ditto ,, .. 54 12 0		
(4129)	Bennett, J., ditto ,, .. 54 12 0		
(4130)	Dutchess, W., Schoolmaster, Crossness P. S. .. 20 0 0		
(4131)	Kelly, J., Sluicekeeper 2 10 0		
(4132)	Pikesley, J., ,, ... 10 0 0		
(4133)	Broughton, W. A., ,, ... 5 0 0		
(4134)	Lester, G., ,, ... 16 5 0		
(4135)	Vulliamy, G., Superintending Architect 300 0 0		
(4136)	Smith, W. W., Solicitor 312 10 0		
(4137)	Ward, R., Assistant, Solicitor's Department 150 0 0		
(4138)	Jackson, G. P., ,, .. (Conveyancing) 112 10 0		
(4139)	Tayler, W., Assistant Clerk, ,, ... 56 5 0		
(4140)	Keates, T. W., Gas Examiner 25 0 0		
(4141)	Airey, H., Gas-meter Inspector 50 0 0		
(4142)	Dethridge, G., ,, ... 50 0 0		
(4143)	Mills, G., ,, ... 50 0 0		
(4144)	Gotto, J., Bailiff 37 10 0		
(4145)	Boggis, G. E., and wife, Housekeeper 50 0 0	3,576 14 7	
	Monthly List—Balances.		
(4146)	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department 25 0 0		
(4147)	Andrews, W. P. ,, ,, 25 0 0		
(4148)	De la Hooke, H. ,, ,, 23 6 8		
(4149)	Humphrey, J. C. ,, ,, 15 12 6		
(4150)	Estlin, J. ,, ,, 16 13 4		
(4151)	Link, G. E., ,, ,, 12 10 0		
(4152)	Greenslade, J. ,, ,, 12 0 0		
(4153)	Link, W. ,, ,, 11 13 4		
(4154)	Hammond, D. ,, ,, 10 16 8		
(4155)	Spencer, A. ,, ,, 10 16 8		
	Carried forward .. £163 9 2	7,457 8 9	.. ..

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	£163	9	2	7,457	8	9
Officers' Salaries (*Monthly List*) *continued*—							
(4156)	Moore, H. F. Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	10	16	8			
(4157)	Bridges, H. W. ,, ,,	7	0	0			
(4158)	Dobson, W. ,, ,,	7	0	0			
(4159)	Edwards, H., Cashier	25	0	0			
(4160)	Morel, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Accountant's Department	16	13	4			
(4161)	Whitworth, E., 3rd ,, ,,	14	11	8			
(4162)	Doggett, E., Assistant ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4163)	Driver, J. S. ,, ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(4164)	Arrow, J. G. ,, ,, ,,	6	9	4			
(4165)	Fenton, J. ,, ,, ,,	5	0	0			
(4166)	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates, &c. ,,	25	0	0			
(4167)	Conquest, W., Principal Clerk, Engineer's Department	25	0	0			
(4168)	Gibson, T., Second ,, ,,	25	0	0			
(4169)	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4170)	McDougall, J., Surveyor, Engineer's Department	25	0	0			
(4171)	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,,	25	0	0			
(4172)	Groves, W. ,, ,,	21	13	4			
(4173)	Crook, W. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4174)	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4175)	Crane, W. ,, ,,	18	6	8			
(4176)	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4177)	Mott, A. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4178)	Bell, J. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4179)	Groves, S. ,, ,,	15	12	6			
(4180)	Smith, J. C., Assistant Clerk ,,	5	0	0			
(4181)	Hamblin, C., Clerk of Works ,,	18	4	0			
(4182)	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,,	9	2	0			
(4183)	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(4184)	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(4185)	Gibson, G. ,, ,,	8	6	8			
(4186)	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,,	8	6	8			
(4187)	Fernley, G. ,, ,,	4	13	4			
(4188)	Little, R. ,, ,,	6	13	4			
(4189)	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,,	6	13	4			
(4190)	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,,	5	8	4			
(4191)	Spake, J. ,, ,,	5	8	4			
(4192)	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Architect's Department	29	3	4			
(4193)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Valuer ,,	33	6	8			
(4194)	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,,	12	10	0			
(4195)	Morgan, J. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4196)	Lepard, J. T. ,, ,,	20	16	8			
(4197)	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman ,,	14	11	8			
(4198)	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,,	25	0	0			
(4199)	Pape, J. ,, ,,	16	13	4			
(4200)	White, C. W. ,, ,,	15	12	6			
(4201)	Chapman, W. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4202)	Welsh, R. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4203)	Knight, W. H. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4204)	Robertson, T. J. ,, ,,	9	3	4			
(4205)	Bailey, A. J. ,, ,,	7	0	0			
(4206)	Hogarth, R. ,, Solicitor's Department	27	10	0			
(4207)	Hinchliff, G. ,, ,,	25	0	0			
(4208)	Fry, C. ,, ,,	23	6	8			
(4209)	Hertslet, F. ,, ,,	11	13	4			
(4210)	Bloomfield, E. ,, ,,	12	10	0			
(4211)	Scott, G. W. ,, ,,	10	0	0			
(4212)	Dickins, C., Record-room Keeper	8	6	8			
					999	19	6
Officers' Retiring and Compensation Allowances—Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—							
Granted by late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers—							
(4213)	Budd, B., late Laborer in Trust .. £13 6 8						
(4214)	Roe, J. ,, Surveyor 50 0 0						
		63	6	8			
	Carried forward ..	£63	6	8	8,457	8	3

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ..	£63 6 8	8,457	8 3	..	..	
OFFICERS' RETIRING AND COMPENSATION ALLOWANCES (*continued*)							
Granted by the Board—							
	To Officers of late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.						
(4215)	Hertslet, L. C., late Order Clerk ..	£75 0 0					
(4216)	Quarrell, J. ,, Clerk of Works ..	19 5 11					
(4217)	Head, T. ,, Collector	14 16 3					
(4218)	Phillips, B. ,, ,, ...	18 10 0					
(4219)	Pollard, Ann ,, Housekeeper ..	12 10 0					
	To Officers of the Board.						
(4220)	Hatton, G. S., late Accountant ..	62 10 0					
(4221)	Anderson, C. ,, Clerk of Works ..	14 12 6					
(4222)	Holland, T. ,, Record-room Keeper	16 17 6					
(4223)	Cooper, E. ,, Assistant Engineer (from 2nd April)	92 1 1					
		326 3 3					
	To Officers of late Metropolitan Buildings Office.						
(4224)	Lower, E. W., late Surveyor ..	£41 13 4					
(4225)	Benson, W. ,, Surveyor and Clerk	22 10 0					
(4226)	Bursill, W. F. ,, Lithographer ..	13 0 0					
(4227)	Squires, G. H. ,, Extra Clerk, &c. ..	7 11 6					
(4228)	Brooks, J. ,, Office-keeper ..	6 5 0					
		90 19 10					
			480	9 9			
COWAN, D., AND CO.—							
(4229)	India-rubber Tubing, &c., for Gas-meter Testing-house, Southwark, June and August, 1868	£41 6 9					
	Breech Cones, Thermometer Cases, &c., June and July, 1868	37 1 3					
			78	8 0			
SPURGEON, T., late Clerk of Works—							
(4230)	Allowance for Extra Expenses incurred while superintending Sewerage Works at Putney		7	18 2			
					9,024	4	2
	FIRE BRIGADE.						
MILLS AND KNIGHT—							
(2544)	Cleaning bottom of B Float, &c., including Gridiron Dues, May, 1870		4	18 6			
KENNARD, R. W., AND CO.—							
(2545)	Portable Copper, &c., for Highgate Station, May, 1870		2	6 1			
EWIN, E., AND CO.—							
(2546)	Furniture for St. John's Wood Station, May, 1870		6	4 3			
PHILBRICK, F. A.—							
(2547)	Counsel's Fees—January and February, 1870—						
	Re Fire Float	£2 4 6					
	,, Darling	3 10 6					
	,, Blyth	2 4 6					
			7	19 6			
RAYMOND, J.—							
(2548)	Counsel's Fees—July and November, 1869—						
	Re Rates.	£2 4 6					
	,, Story	7 17 0					
			10	1 6			
HODGES AND SON—							
(2549)	Short-hand Notes at Inquests—Newington Butts and Sandwich Street—October, 1869		15	8 0			
AITCHESON AND WALKER, Contractors—							
(2550)	On account of Station, Evelyn Street, Deptford		164	0 0			
OFFICERS' SALARIES—Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—							
(2551)	Shaw, Captain, Chief Officer	£225 0 0					
(2552)	Cresy, E., Architect	62 10 0					
(2553)	Bevan, N., Receiver of Chimney-fire Penalties ..	16 13 4					
			304	3 4			
	Carried forward ..		515	1 2	9,024	4	2

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward ..	515	1	2	9,024	4	2
PENSIONS TO OFFICERS OF LATE LONDON FIRE ENGINE ESTABLISHMENT—Quarter ending Midsummer, 1870—							
(2554)	Henderson, R.	£30	0	0			
(2555)	Staples, G. R.	30	0	0			
(2556)	Morris, G.	10	0	0			
(2557)	Tozer, R.	10	0	0			
(2558)	Wilkinson, W.	10	0	0			
(2559)	Holloway, W.	7	10	0			
(2560)	Cooper, G.	5	0	0			
(2561)	Barrow, R.	5	0	0			
(2562)	Goddard, C.	2	10	0			
(2563)	Perkins, J.	9	2	0			
		£119	2	0			
MARTIN, S., late Fireman—							
(2564)	Pension due Midsummer, 1870	6	15	0			
					125	17	0
							640 18 2
WHITECHAPEL IMPROVEMENT.							
MARSHALL AND MAXWELL, Contractors—							
(617)	Further on account of formation of new Street in extension of the Commercial Road from Back Church Lane to High Street ..				1,913	0	0
(618)	On account of alterations to premises, Nos. 45 and 46, High Street				200	0	0
							2,113 0 0
STINGO LANE IMPROVEMENT.							
HIGGINS, S., Collector—							
(139)	Property Tax for Premises taken				..	..	2 1 1
MAIN DRAINAGE AND MAIN SEWERS.							
DICKINSON AND OLIVER, Contractors—							
(91)	Further on account of Kennington and Lambeth Sewers—Contract No. 160				2,300	0	0
NICHOLSON, J., Contractor—							
(92)	Repairs to Side Entrances, &c., in connection with Earl, Battle Bridge, &c., Sewers				42	14	2
							2,342 14 2
CONSOLIDATED LOANS FUND.							
BANK OF ENGLAND—							
(6)	Fourth Instalment in repayment of Loan of £100,000, due 30th June, 1870				..	..	3,333 6 8
THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.							
STANDFAST, H. T., Collector—							
(45)	One Year's Land Tax on House and Wharves in Cannon Row, to 5th April, 1870				..	..	16 5 0
MANSION HOUSE STREET.							
BROOKER, J. W., Contractor—							
(66)	On account of Hoards, Fans, Fencing, &c., to December, 1869				200	0	0
RATES AND TAXES for Properties taken—							
(67)	Jeffery, W., Tithe-charge	£17	15	5			
(68)	Warwick, R. E., Poor Rate	30	2	1			
(69)	Gilboy, Miss N., Ward and Sewers Rates	16	17	1			
					64	14	7
							264 14 7
TRANSFERS TO WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT—							
CONSOLIDATED CASH ACCOUNT.							
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—							
(14)	*General*—						
	Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 8th June, 1870 ..	£580	7	10			
	Petty Cash Payments, 1st to 13th June, 1870.. ..	73	2	10			
	Collectors' Poundage, May, 1870	5	8	3			
	Rates and Gas—						
	For Premises used for Drainage Purposes £6 0 10						
	,, Lodge at Southwark Park .. 0 8 0						
		6	8	10			
					665	7	9
	Carried forward ..				£665	7	9 17,737 3 10

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward ..		665 7 9	17,737 3 10
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—(Continued)—				
Fire Brigade—				
Weekly Wages (Firemen)—Two Weeks to 11th June, 1870	£1,024 13 0			
Rent of Lodgings for Firemen, May, 1870	120 4 6			
Pensions to Widows of Firemen—Two Weeks to 11th June, 1870	3 2 0			
Collector's Poundage, May, 1870	0 2 3			
Foremen's Expenses, May, 1870—				
Expenses at Fires	£214 16 7			
Incidentals	57 13 7			
	272 10 2			
Incidental Expenses, Chief Station, May, 1870 ..	22 11 2			
Rates, Taxes, and Gas, for sundry Stations ..	147 7 0			
	£1,590 10 1			
Firemen's Savings Fund—Amount returned to Men leaving the Service	13 18 0			
			1,604 8 1	
Whitechapel Improvement—				
Petty Cash Payments—June, 1870			11 15 0	
Main Drainage and Main Sewers—				
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 8th June, 1870			14 14 0	
Main Drainage Rate Collection—				
Collectors' Poundage—May, 1870			2 10 6	
Chelsea Embankment—				
Weekly Wages—Week ending 1st June, 1870			0 17 6	
Advertisements—May, 1870—				
General	£1 17 6			
Southwark Park	6 0 0			
			7 17 6	
				2,307 10 4
THAMES EMBANKMENT DRAWING ACCOUNT.				
WAGES AND PETTY DISBURSEMENT—				
(12) *Thames Embankment North—*				
Weekly Wages—Two Weeks to 8th June, 1870			50 6 4	
Mansion House Street—				
Petty Cash Payments, June, 1870			0 8 4	
				50 14 8
	TOTAL ..		..	£20,095 8 10

Certified,
(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN,
Accountant.

Examined,
(Signed) J. THWAITES,
W. H. DALTON,
CHAS. HARRIS,
ED. COLLINSON,
G. P. MEADEN,
E. DRESSER ROGERS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded—That the sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, amounting in the whole to £20,095 8s. 10d., be paid.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the several sums specified in the statement submitted by the Committee, with the exception of the amount of £295 12s. 6d., recommended in favour of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for the balance of their General Contract Works Account, be paid, and that that Account be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative; and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Cheques for sums amounting in the whole to £19,799 16s. 4d. were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the meeting.

9. Mr. Legg handed in the following letter—

Vestry of Bermondsey, Surrey.

Vestry Offices, Maltby Street, S.E., 16th June, 1870.

JAMAICA LEVEL IMPROVEMENT.

GENTLEMEN—I am directed by this Vestry to inform you that the works in connection with the improvement of Jamaica Level are completed, and to request your Honourable Board to be pleased to pass an order for payment of the promised contribution towards the expense.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. I. RICHES, Assistant Clerk.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, with a view to payment of the amount, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee as to the completion of the improvement.

10. Mr. Le Breton handed in a letter as follows—

Vestry Offices, Workhouse, Hampstead, N.W., 6th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR—The Vestry, for the purpose of widening the road called Fleet-road, running from South-end-green, at the bottom of Pond-street in this Parish, to Kentish-town and Camden-town, and for facilitating the passage and traffic between Hampstead and the Metropolis, have recently agreed to purchase a piece of land, baker's shop, and cottage, at the corner of Fleet-road, and South-end-green (as shown by the Plan herewith sent) for £200. This piece of land, shop, and cottage, will be thrown into the road, making that portion of it 40 feet wide, which before was only 14 feet in width. Another very small piece of land adjoining that now agreed to be purchased, will still remain to be dealt with; but this must stand over for about three years, as the owners have no power of sale until the expiration of that period. But the Vestry is assured that no difficulty will then arise in dealing with it on fair terms, when the road throughout will be of the width of 40 feet.

The public improvement now contemplated will be very considerable, and I am desired to request the Metropolitan Board of Works to assist towards the outlay, and the Vestry will probably not be considered unreasonable in suggesting one-half of £200 as a fair contribution.

I shall be obliged by your laying this letter before the Board at its next Meeting, and informing me of its decision.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) WM. GRIBBLE, Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

11. Mr. White handed in a communication from the Westminster District Board, which was read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. White—That the said communication be received and entered on the minutes of proceedings of this day, and it is entered accordingly—

Board of Works for the Westminster District

Offices, 25, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W., 13th June, 1870.

SIR—On the other side I forward you, as directed by this Board, a Copy of a Resolution, upon the subject of the Kensington Road Improvement Bill, passed at a Meeting of the Board held on Friday, the 10th instant.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) EDWD. HOLLIS, Clerk to the Board.

JJ Pollard, Esq., Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

[Copy Resolution.]

"That a representation be made to the Committee of the House of Commons (should such Committee be appointed), that this Board would not have consented to the Resolution and Agreement relative to the alleged Kensington Road Improvement, had they been aware of the facts which have since been the subject of discussion in the House of Commons."

Extracted from Minutes.

(Signed) EDWD. HOLLIS, Clerk to the Board

12. Mr. Hows, pursuant to notice, presented a letter from Mr. E. Walker, Clerk to the Vestry of Shoreditch, dated 11th June, 1870, requesting the Board to defer their inspection of the locality of the proposed improvements in that Parish for a short time, as plans and estimates of the same are about to be prepared.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hows, seconded by Mr. Le Breton—That the request of the Vestry be complied with.

13. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 13th June, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments connected with the Improvements now in progress—

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Southern—		
Southern John—Purchase-money, Leasehold, No. 9, Stingo-lane	425 0 0	
Baines, C.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	13 0 0	
Re White—		
Purchase-money, Leasehold, No. 8, Stingo-lane (East side)—		
White, John £245 2 0		
Caton, J. and A. 354 18 0		
	600 0 0	
Mullett, F. A.—Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	14 0 0	
Re Bridges—		
Bridges, Timothy — Purchase-money, Leasehold, No. 8, Stingo-lane (West side)	575 0 0	
Baines, C.—Surveyors's Fee, as per Contract	14 0 0	
		1,641 0 0

Mansion House Street.

Re Photo-Cameo Portrait Co.—		
Baylis, C., Costs of Title and Conveyance	7 7 0	
Re Pugh's Trust—		
Drew and Wilkinson—Costs of Petitioners, under order of 10th December, 1869	40 11 0	
		47 18 0
		£1,688 18 0

It has been reported to your Committee that the following payments are required to be made from the General Account of the Board. Your Committee have ascertained that the amounts are correct, and they beg to recommend that the following cheques be drawn, viz.:—

General Account.

	£ s. d.
Re Moxon—	
Imperial Mercantile Credit Association, Limited, (Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co.)	816 18 0
Re Warren—	
Warren, R.—Compensation	25 0 0
Farnfield, W.—Taxed Costs	43 8 8
Re Morrison—	
Shaw, George—One moiety of Fees for settling special case	39 2 3
Re Lovibond—	
Macnamara, H. T. J.—Costs of settling special case	19 15 0
	£944 3 11

Your Committee have proceeded on your resolution of the 13th ultimo (No. 9), referring back to them the question of the appointment of a Gas Examiner at the Peckham Station to test the Gas supplied by the South Metropolitan Gas Company. Your Committee caused advertisements to be issued inviting candidates, and, in reply, the following applications were received—

Taylor, Joseph, 24, Radnor-street, Peckham.
Foster, William, The Laboratory, 19, Bloomsbury Square.
Jennings, N. J., 96, Nicholas-street, Hoxton.
Bolton, Henry, North Camp, Aldershot.
Pares, Henry, East-street, St. Neots, Huntingdonshire.

Of the above the first three have attended your Committee and have been examined as to their qualifications and attainments, and your Committee consider that both Mr. Joseph Taylor and Mr. William Foster are capable of discharging the duties of Gas Examiner. Your Committee, therefore, beg to submit the names of those two candidates and recommend the Board to select one of them for the appointment at a salary of £80 per annum.

Your Committee have also considered the report of the Engineer, referred on the 27th ultimo (No. 20), submitting a certificate from Mr. Wise, the medical attendant at Crossness, to the effect that John Savage, Cleaner at the Pumping Station, was suffering from ulcerated legs, and was quite unable to work and that probably he would never again be fit for active employment of any kind. Your Committee have ascertained that there is no improvement in Savage's condition, and they, therefore, recommend that his services be dispensed with and that a sum of £5 be granted to him.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
ED. COLLINSON,
JOHN RUNTZ,
E. J. THOMPSON,
FRANCIS H. FOWLER.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, that the following cheques be now drawn, viz.—

General Account.

	£	s.	d.
Re Moxon—			
Imperial Mercantile Credit Association, Limited, (Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co.)	816	18	0
Re Warren—			
Warren, R.—Compensation	25	0	0
Farnfield, W.—Taxed Costs	43	8	8
Re Morrison—			
Shaw, George—One moiety of Fees for settling special case	39	2	3
Re Lovibond—			
Macnamara, H. T. J.—Costs of settling special case	19	15	0
	£944	3	11

And cheques were drawn accordingly.

Mr. Joseph Taylor was proposed by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers for the appointment of Gas Examiner at the Peckham Station.

Mr. Foster was proposed by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Runtz, for the said appointment.

The names of Mr. Taylor and Mr. Foster were then severally put to the vote, with the following result—

	VOTES.
For Mr. Foster	11
„ Mr. Taylor	9

And it was thereupon **resolved**—That Mr. William Foster be appointed Gas Examiner under the provisions of the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company's Act, 1869, at the testing place fixed by the Gas Referees in Peckham; that the testings be made in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and with such instructions as may be from time to time issued by the Gas Referees; that Mr. Foster's salary be £80 a year, to commence from the date of his entering on his duties; that he be required to discharge the duties of his office personally; that he be subject to such control and supervision, as to the testings to be made and the duties to be discharged, as the Board may from time to time direct; that his appointment do continue during the pleasure of the Board, and be subject to any alterations either by Parliament or otherwise, and that he be not entitled to compensation in the event of the abolition or change of his office.

Mr. Foster was then called and informed of the above Resolution, and, in reply to a question by the Chairman, he stated that he would discharge the duties of his office personally.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the services of John Savage, Cleaner at the Crossness Pumping Station, who is unable to continue his employment, be dispensed with, and that the sum of £5 be granted to him; and a cheque was drawn on the General Account accordingly.

14. Mr. Le Breton, in the absence of Mr. Westerton, the Deputy-Chairman of the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE PARKS, COMMONS, AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 15th June, 1870.

Your Committee have had to report that they have had under consideration the question of the supply of water for the roads and footpaths, and for the plants and shrubs in Finsbury Park. They instructed Mr. McKenzie to report to them on this subject, and they have ascertained from him that it will be necessary, for the efficient watering of the park, that ten hydrants should be erected in convenient positions. The cost of these, together with the necessary pipes, and the work of laying them down, would amount, your Committee find, to about £190. They are of opinion that it is desirable that these works should be at once proceeded with, and they recommend accordingly, and that the Committee be authorized to carry out the arrangements.

Your Committee are proceeding on the resolution of your Honourable Board of the 18th February last (No. 12), directing that the necessary work of planting and laying out the surplus land of the Thames Embankment North, be carried out. In connection with this subject, your Committee have considered as to the arrangements which will be necessary for the ornamentation of the Embankment on the occasion of its being opened to the public, and they find that the immediate expenditure of a sum of £500 would be sufficient for the planting required for this purpose, and that of the plants thus obtained, one half would be available for the permanent planting. Your Committee have accordingly authorized Mr. McKenzie to carry out the necessary work, and they beg to report the course they have taken for the information of the Board.

Your Committee have had before them the report by the Superintending Architect, on information from Mr. Horace Field, District Surveyor of Putney and Roehampton, that the new road at Roehampton sanctioned by the Board on the 24th February last (No. 64), was being laid out so as not to be of the width of forty feet without taking in a portion of the Putney Heath Common Land. Your Committee are informed that a report has been made by the Building Act Committee to the Board on this subject, and they find that it is unnecessary for them to proceed further on the reference. They recommend, therefore, that it be discharged.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the desirability of effecting an insurance upon the lodges in the two parks and on the refreshment houses, which are now completed and they recommend that the refreshment houses be insured for £600 each in the Westminster Fire Office, and that an insurance for a similar sum in the same office be also effected on each of the lodges.

Your Committee have also considered as to the nature of the refreshments which the Board should permit to be supplied in the parks, and, having given the matter their best consideration, and having caused inquiries to be made as to the course adopted in the parks under the charge of the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., they are of opinion that it is not advisable to allow the sale of beer, wines, or spirits, in the parks, but that the refreshments should be confined to tea, coffee, lemonade, and others of a similar character. They recommend the Board to direct accordingly, and they further recommend that the refreshment rooms be let by public tender, and that it be referred back to the Committee to carry out the arrangements.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
CHARLES WESTERTON,
P. H. LE BRETON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That ten hydrants for the supply of water to the plants in Finsbury Park be fixed at convenient positions in the Park, and that the Committee be authorised to carry out the arrangements.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to the planting of the Thames Embankment, North, be approved.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the reference to the Committee by the Board on the 20th May last (No. 59), of the Report by the Superintending Architect, having regard to the new road at Roehampton, sanctioned by the Board on the 25th February last (No. 64), be discharged.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the refreshment rooms in Finsbury and Southwark Parks be insured for £600 each in the Westminster Fire Office, and that an insurance for a similar sum in the same office be also effected on each of the lodges in those Parks.

It was **moved** by Mr. Le Breton, and seconded by Mr. Hows—That no beer, wine, nor spirits be allowed to be sold in Finsbury and Southwark Parks, and that the refreshments be confined to tea, coffee, lemonade, and others of a similar character, that the refreshment rooms be let by public tender, and that it be referred back to the Committee to carry out the arrangements.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Roche—That the reference to beer and wine, be omitted from the **motion**.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—4.		Against the Amendment—15.	
Collinson, E., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.		Bidgood, H., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
		Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
		Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
		Healey, F., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
Teller—Mr. Legg.		Teller—Mr. Le Breton.	

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

15. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 3rd instant, (No. 5), for the re-naming, &c., of the undermentioned thoroughfares, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, or so much of the Plans as was necessary for the guidance of the local authorities in carrying out the same, viz.—

Downs Park-road, &c.	Hackney.
Stoke Newington-road, &c.	Do.
Stoke Newington, High-street, &c.	Do.
Sandringham-road (portion of)	Do.
Wiltshire-road, &c., Brixton	Lambeth.
Brook-green, &c.	Fulham.
Limes-grove, &c., ...	Lewisham.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

16. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Statement of the contributions by Insurance Companies towards the expense of carrying into effect the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act, 1865, for the Quarter commencing the 1st day of July, 1870, viz.—

No.	Name of Insurance Company.	Quarter's Instalment, due 1st July, 1870. Amount. £ s. d.	Remarks.
1	Alliance	76 2 8	
2	Atlas	114 16 8	
3	Azienda Assicuratrice	8 15 0	
4	Birmingnam Alliance	0 3 1	Paid
5	Caledonian	2 1 4	Paid
6	Church of England	12 9 7	
7	Commercial Union	79 2 4	
8	Concordia	0 4 9	
9	County	174 13 11	
10	Emperor	1 9 3	
11	English	4 7 6	
12	Etna	..	
13	Essex and Suffolk	0 0 11	Paid
14	Financial	..	
15	General	67 1 3	
16	Guardian	93 1 1	
17	Hand-in-Hand	52 10 0	
18	Hercules	..	
19	Home and Colonial	..	
20	Household	0 1 6	Paid
21	Imperial	216 17 2	
22	Kent	17 13 11	
23	Lancashire	26 13 2	
24	Law	188 2 9	
25	Law Union	26 1 6	
26	Liverpool and London and Globe	245 6 8	
27	London	143 11 2	
28	London and Lancashire	20 0 1	
29	London and Manchester	0 1 5	
30	London and Southwark	16 19 3	
31	Manchester	36 15 9	
32	Masonic and General	..	
33	Midland Counties	1 9 4	Paid
34	National of Ireland	0 0 4	Paid
35	Netherlands	..	
36	North British and Mercantile	230 19 2	
37	Northern	54 5 0	
38	Norwich Equitable	0 18 4	Paid
39	Norwich Union	62 7 10	
40	Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire	0 3 2	Paid
41	Oldham	..	
42	Patriotic	..	
43	Phœnix	380 9 10	
44	Preserver	0 12 7	Paid
45	Primitive Methodists	0 2 1	Paid
46	Provincial	7 10 0	
47	Queen	20 11 3	
48	Royal	157 1 7	
49	Royal Exchange	213 1 1	
50	Rotterdam and Netherlands	..	
51	Royal Farmers	7 2 2	Paid
52	Salop	0 5 5	Paid
53	Scottish	6 5 1	
54	Scottish Commercial	7 1 2	
55	Scottish Imperial	8 15 0	
56	Scottish National	0 0 9	Paid
57	Scottish Provincial	8 15 0	
58	Scottish Union	18 6 10	
59	Shropshire and North Wales	0 1 6	Paid
60	Stewarton, Dunlop, and Fenwick	..	
61	Sun	581 13 8	
62	Union	131 5 0	
63	Westminster	168 12 1	
64	West of England	30 17 8	
65	Yorkshire	0 5 7	Paid
	Total £	3,724 2 2	

(Signed) ARTHUR GUNN.

Resolved—That application be made to such of the above-mentioned Fire Insurance Companies, respectively, who have not already paid, for payment of their quarterly contribution towards the expenses of the Fire Brigade, due on the 1st July next.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th June, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.				
Alton-road and Bessborough-road, Roehampton-park ..	850	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Orkney-street and Millgrove-street, Lower Wandsworth-road, Battersea	545	12 inch.	Pipe.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
Lower Cross-road, from Lawn-road to Park-road	About 530	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
PLUMSTEAD.				
From Pound-place to North-park, Eltham..	About 800	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
BERMONDSEY.				
Artillery-street, Bermondsey..	280	15 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
LEWISHAM.				
Sabin's-lane and Mary Ann's-cottages, Perry and Catford-hills, Sydenham	360	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
ISLINGTON.				
Shepperton-street East, New North-road	440	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Offord-road, Barnsbury ..	340	12 inch.	Pipe.	
HACKNEY.				
The Crescent, Downs Park-road	740	12 inch.	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Intended new road to lead out of Powerscroft-road, Priory Estate, Clapton	About 275	12 inch.	Pipe.	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th June, 1870, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares for the purposes therein mentioned viz.—

Dates of Application.	Names of Street to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER.					
1870. 14 June.	Princes-street, between Richmond and Upper Rupert-streets.	Re-laying Paving.	14 days.	14 days.	Dean and Rupert-streets.
ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST.					
,, ,,	Cannon-street-road, the part crossed by the Great Eastern Railway.	Renewing the railway bridge.	The Surveyor states that the time for which the street will be closed cannot be definitely named, I therefore recommend that sanction be given for a period not exceeding one month, and that it be subject to the condition that the best arrangements be made for the temporary accommodation of the traffic.		

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries

on the conditions suggested by the Engineer, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by him, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

19. The Chairman having vacated the Chair,

It was **Resolved**—That

ROBERT FREEMAN, ESQ.,

be requested to take the Chair, and he took the Chair accordingly.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. W. Baker, on behalf of the London and North Western Railway Company, relative to the diversion of a pipe sewer near Church-street, Hackney; stating that the pipe-sewer to which Mr. Baker referred was laid in the bed of the old Hackney Brook, and, as it interfered with the proposed widening of the line of railway at that point, he applied to the Board that it might be removed, and recommending that the application be granted, provided the work be done solely at the cost of the Company, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the officers of the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted, on the conditions suggested therein.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. C. Wohlgemuth, No. 59, Church-lane, Whitechapel, calling attention to the fact that the width of the new paving of the Board's street precluded his using, as formerly, the crane for loading and unloading in front of his premises; stating that the footway had been carried out to the full width designed, as the narrowing of it at the point in question would have interfered with the appearance of the street; that since its completion, Mr. Wohlgemuth had been carting over the footway in order to use his crane as heretofore, which would injure the paving, besides interrupting the foot-traffic; that there were two modes by which it could be obviated—one by lengthening the crane, the other by putting a small quantity of pitching in place of the York-stone, so as to form a bay; and that the expense of either plan would be small, and recommending that the Solicitor should advise whether or not the obligation to do the requisite work devolved upon the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Solicitor for his advice.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th June, 1870, on a letter from Messrs. J. Bryan and Co., Millpond Bridge Wharf, Vauxhall, relative to alleged damage to their barge bed by the force with which the water was discharged from the Heathwall Storm Outlet on or about the 26th ultimo; stating that upon inquiry he did not find that any improper use was made of the storm outlet on the occasion to which Messrs. Bryan referred, or at any other time, and recommending the Board to decline to admit any liability to repair, maintain, or execute additional works for the protection of the barge bed in question.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

23. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
15th June, 1870.

On letter from the Office of Woods, &c., requesting to be supplied with the keys to the several doors constructed in the fence-wall to the Crown property, between No. 1, Richmond Terrace and No. 4, Whitehall Yard; and inquiring, as complaint had been made of the doors being so recessed as likely to lead to the committal of nuisances, for what reason the stipulation that the doors should "be hung flush with the outer face of the wall" had not been complied with.

I have had the keys prepared, ten in all, and recommend that they be sent to the Office of Woods.

As to the complaint of the doors being recessed, I beg to state that they were hung flush with the brickwork at the back of the wall, in order that they might fall back, when open, as much as possible, and it was concluded, not hearing of any complaint, that this arrangement was satisfactory to the Architect of the Office of Woods, Mr. Pennethorne. By setting the doors flush with the brickwork of the front of the wall, there would still be a recess of about seven inches at the bottom part, owing to the stone-plinth base projecting beyond the brickwork;—the doors can very

easily be brought to the face of the latter, if the Office of Woods merely desire this, but to so hang them as to avoid any recess, the character of the whole work would need to be altered. I recommend that they be informed to this effect.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

24. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department,
Spring Gardens, S.W., 15th June, 1870.

On letter from the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District, relative to payment for the thirty lamp-columns ordered for the Board's new street; and calling attention to an alleged encroachment upon the public way by the erection of the fence at Goodman's-stile, near its point of junction with that street.

In the middle of April last the Board were anxious to get the works of the new street complete, in order that it might be opened for public traffic at the earliest period practicable; and, with a view to save time, and assuming that the lamp-standards to be used would be of the same pattern as those in use, generally, in the district, I wrote to the Surveyor of the District Board asking him to provide and fix the requisite number. Subsequently, but not till these thirty standards had been provided, the Board decided upon adopting the same design as the one selected for the Southern Embankment. This being the case I have suggested to the Surveyor that the District Board should take for their own use, and at a price to be agreed upon, the standards which had been ordered. I submit, herewith, his reply, stating that they have in store a supply sufficient for their requirements for some time to come, but that, with a wish to meet my suggestion, they were willing to take the thirty standards off the hands of the Board for £37 10s. 0d., that is 25s. each, or half the cost price, and I recommend that, under the circumstances, the offer may be accepted.

With reference to the alleged encroachment upon the public way at Goodman's-stile, by the erection of the fence as shown by the dotted red line upon the tracing accompanying the Surveyor's letter, I beg to recommend that this be referred to the Architect to correct, if requisite.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

25. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th June, 1870, on a letter from the Steam Road-rolling Company, proposing the use of their rollers upon the roadway of the Northern Embankment; stating that the Company offered to provide and work one or more of Messrs. Aveling and Porter's patent steam-rollers over the roadway in course of formation on the Embankment, at the rate of 8s. 6d. per hour of actual working; the Board also to find sufficient water and sand, or gravel, to make the road bind, and the labour for spreading the same; stating that ample provision was made in Mr. Webster's Contract for the formation of the roadway, for its being properly rolled during the various stages of the works; and that it was therefore quite unnecessary for the Board to enter into a second contract for the performance of the same description of work; and recommending that the Company be informed that their application should be made to Mr. Webster, the Contractor.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be approved, and that the Company be so informed.

26. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
16th June, 1870.

On letter from Mr. J. Cooper, Inspector to the Camberwell Vestry, dated 12th ultimo, relative to complaints of nuisance from a supposed discharge of paraffin into the sewers in the Old Kent-road and its neighbourhood.

Since the receipt of this letter I have had the several sewers examined at the various points named therein, and inquiries have also been made of some of the parties complaining. From the result it would appear that the nuisance was temporary only, and was caused in great measure, if not wholly, by the discharge of refuse naphtha, &c., from the premises, No. 180, Neate-street, in which some experiments in the manufacture of dyeing materials were being tried. These experiments ceased on the 18th ultimo, and the manager stated that the apparatus would be wholly removed by the end of the month.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the Report be received, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Vestry of Camberwell.

27. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th June, 1870, in a letter from Mr. H. W. Young, Inland Revenue Department, Somerset House, complaining of effluvia from the side entrances to the sewer in the Embankment roadway fronting that building; stating that the complaint had been found to arise from the outer coverings to the two entrances opposite Somerset House not having been put on; and that directions had been at once given to rectify the omission, and thus remedy the complaint.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

28. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th May, 1870, recommending the execution of certain works under the General Contracts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

29. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th June, 1870, on a letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, submitting for the approval of the Board the drawing of the wall proposed to be erected across the site of the Ranelagh Sewer, by Westbourne-place, Sloane-square; stating that the Board, on the 1st of April last (No. 6), sanctioned the setting back of the wall across the Ranelagh Sewer to the line proposed by the Vestry, and that the Superintending Architect concurred with him (the Engineer) in recommending the Board's approval to the drawing now submitted.

Resolved—That the design in question be approved.

30. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. P. Hall, "Queen Victoria Hotel," Printing House-square, complaining of the obstructed access to his premises caused by, and of the nuisances resulting from, the hoarding erected in connection with the Board's works in the locality; stating that, until the new roadway is permanently formed, it would be injudicious to remove the hoarding, so as to give the unrestricted access to Mr. Hall's premises which he required; that, in the meantime, directions had been given to afford him as much temporary accommodation as possible; that the nuisances to which he referred as existing behind the hoarding had been cleared away, and that the Railway Contractors were removing some of their surplus earth, &c., from this part of the line of street, and recommending that Mr. Hall be so informed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Mr. Hall.

31. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th June, 1870, stating that since the last meeting of the Board, applications had been received from the following District Boards for permission to stop up certain streets for the undermentioned purposes, and that he had, under the authority given to him by the Board's resolution of the 30th January, 1863, (No. 4), sanctioned the closing of the said streets for the respective periods following, viz.—

Dates of Application.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time sanctioned.	
		WHITECHAPEL.			
1870. 6 June.	Sandy-row.	Cleansing sewer.	7 days.	7 days.	From the date of commencement of the works.
		ST. OLAVE.			
10 ,,	Charles-street.	Repaving.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the course taken by the Engineer in sanctioning the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, be approved.

32. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 17th June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. J. Parker, complaining of a couple of loads of brick rubbish having been deposited on the site of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, at the rear of Nos. 264 and 306, Vauxhall Bridge-road; stating that one of the loads had been deposited by Mr. Thwaites of Buckingham Palace-road, and

that he had promised at once to remove it; and that the other, it was alleged, had been deposited by Mr. Kingston of Long Ditton, Surrey, and recommending that he should be required immediately to remove it from off the sewer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

33. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
17th June, 1870.

On letter from Messrs. Paine and Layton, on behalf of the City Gas Company, dated 14th instant, relative to their proposal to accept an offer made by Mr. Webster to unload and tip the coals through the new subways at a charge of 11d. per ton.

Mr. Webster had to deliver coals to the Company during the progress of his works, but the Embankment being now so far complete as to enable the Company to supply themselves from the river, I recommend that Messrs. Paine and Layton be so informed, and that the Company's contract with Mr. Webster be not recognised so far as this Board is concerned.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that in the meantime the Engineer do, after conferring with the Solicitor, address a communication to Messrs. Paine and Layton, to the effect recommended in the Report.

34. Mr. Hall handed in a letter, as follows—

Board of Works, Holborn District,
47, Chancery-lane, W.C., June, 14th, 1870.

Dear Sir—The District Board are desirous of raising by loan £2,000 for certain paving works in Holborn, and I am directed to ask the Metropolitan Board of Works to grant their sanction. It is proposed to repay the money borrowed by annual payments of £500.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) S. W. HOPWOOD, Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the application be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

35. The Solicitor reported that the Tramways Bill introduced by the Government, had been read a second time in the House of Lords, and referred to a Select Committee, consisting of the following members, viz.:—The Lord Privy Seal, the Duke of Cleveland, the Marquis of Salisbury, Earl Kellie, the Earl of Airlie, Earl Graham, Earl Cadogan, the Earl of Morley, Viscount Eversley, the Lord Steward, Lord Saltoun, Lord Redesdale, Lord Silchester, Lord Belper, and Lord Lyveden.

36. The Solicitor also reported that the North London Tramways Bill, the North Metropolitan Tramways Bill, the Metropolitan Street Tramways Bill, the London Street Tramways Bill, and the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (Extensions) Bill, were before the Committee to-day.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Board's petition against the Kensington Road Improvement Bill had been sealed by the Chairman, and duly deposited; that notices of motion had been given in relation to the Bill by Sir Henry Hoare and Mr. William Henry Smith; that questions had been asked in the House with reference to the Bill by Viscount Milton and Mr. Alderman Lawrence; that Mr. Ayrton's motion as to the appointment of the Select Committee would be taken on Monday next; and that the Vestry of Saint Marylebone had presented a petition against the Bill. The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of such petition.

38. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan District Railway Bill with the amendments made therein by the House of Lords, had been sent to the House of Commons for consideration; and that the Metropolitan Railway Bill awaited the third reading in the House of Lords.

39. The Solicitor reported that the following notice of motion had been given by Colonel Beresford, M.P., for insertion in the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Bill, viz.:—"To move that a clause be inserted that no buildings be erected within Southwark Park;"

and that the following additional petitions had been presented against the Bill, viz.:—from the Mercers' Company, the Carpenters' Company, the Sadlers' Company, the Cordwainers' Company, and the Corporation of the City of London.

40. The Solicitor presented a copy of the second volume of the Report of the Rivers Pollution Commission, containing the evidence taken before the Commissioners.

Resolved—That copies of the said Report be obtained and sent to the members of the Board.

41. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Thames Embankment North, Viaduct Roadway Bill, as amended by the Lords, and reported that it stood for third reading this evening.

42. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Inclosure Amendment Bill stood for this day.

43. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the Stamp Duty on Leases Bill, as amended, and reported that it was considered in the House of Commons last night, and ordered to be read a third time to-day.

44. The Solicitor reported that the Board of Trade Bill had been read a second time, but that he did not think that its provisions affected this Board.

45. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Corporation of London Bill stood for this day.

46. The Solicitor also reported that the Lord Chancellor had reported to the House of Lords on Tuesday last, with reference to the County of London Bill, that the Standing Orders which had not been complied with in respect of the Bill ought to be dispensed with, and that the Bill stood for second reading in the House of Commons this day.

47. The Solicitor reported that the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment Bill stood for second reading this day.

48. The Solicitor reported that the Suburban Commons Bill stood committed for Wednesday next the 22nd instant.

49. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to petitions to Parliament, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present to Parliament before the next meeting.

50. Read a Report, as follows—

Re WALKER AND OLDHAM.

I beg to report that summonses were heard this day against the above defendants for sweeping mud through gratings communicating with sewers under the control of this Board, on the 12th May last, in Oxford-street, between Rathbone-place, and Berners-street. The defendants were in the employ of the Marylebone Vestry (Paving and Sewers Department). Evidence was given of the committing of the offence, by the Police—the Magistrate (Mr. Tyrwhitt) fined each of the Defendants 5s. and 2s. costs, or four days' imprisonment.

8th June, 1870. (Signed) W. W. SMITH

51. The Solicitor presented the following documents for sealing, viz—

Three Plans and License, in duplicate, to Messrs. Corbett and Mc Clymont, to build over a portion of the Counter's Creek Sewer near Finborough Road, West Brompton.

Plan and License, in duplicate, to Messrs. Robert Stephen Faulconer and Charles Hammond, Trustees of St. Stephen's Church, Walworth Common, authorising them to build over a portion of the Earl Sewer between Villa Street and Newington Workhouse.

Two Plans, and Contract with Mr. John High, for alterations and additions to the lodge at Finsbury Park.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said plans, licenses and duplicates, and contract respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

52. The Solicitor reported that the Board's Loans Bill was read a first time in the House of Lords on Monday last, and he presented a copy of the Bill as printed by that House.

53. The Solicitor presented a printed copy of the Special Report made by the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Thames Navigation Bill, and reported that the Bill had been read a second time in the House of Lords last night and committed, and that the Members of such Committee were to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.

Resolved—That a copy of the said Report be sent to each Member of the Board.

54. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That a copy of the Gas and Water Facilities Bill be sent to each Member of the Board, and that the Bill be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, for consideration.

55. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, relative to the regulation of the frontage line of premises in King's-road, between Smith-street and Manor-street; submitting a plan of the same, and suggesting that a general plan of improvement might be submitted to the Vestry and to the owners and occupiers of premises for the erection of shops, so as to widen the pavement.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

56. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. James East, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house at the corner of Neville-road and Broughton-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage in Neville-road be kept back to the line of the adjoining shops, that the angle of the building at the corner of the roads be splayed so as to measure five feet on the splay; that the vacant spaces in front and at the angle, between the frontage and the public way, be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry; and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

57. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Smith, on behalf of Mr. G. J. Harvey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable building, with loft and man's room over the same, in Seven Sisters'-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

58. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Hockley, on behalf of Messrs. Watney and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey addition to the "Amhurst Arms," Public-house, Amhurst-road, Shacklewell, as shown upon the Plan acompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the open space between the flank of the new building and the circular corner of the boundary wall of the adjoining premises be filled in with solid brickwork to the level of the coping of the wall, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. N. Lockington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop on the forecourt of the house, No. 198, Mare-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed building be kept back 2 feet 9 inches from the line of the present forecourt, at the division wall next No. 200, and continued thence in a direct line to the frontage of No. 192B; that the vacant space between such line of frontage and the public way, be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations,

and be paved by the District Board, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

60. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Ring, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses in Fox-lane, Stone Bridge Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

61. Islington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. S. Girling, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey shop in front of the house, No. 2, Shakespeare Terrace, Holloway Road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant space between the proposed shop front and the public way be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. T. H. Vernon, for the consent of the Board to retain a pent erected over the entrance doorway to Roland-villa, Dulwich-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

63. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. H. Goodwin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a barge-board to the house called "Roccles," West-hill, Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

64. Paddington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Apsey and Son, requesting the Board to modify their Order of the 20th May last (No. 50), limiting the erection of a bay window in front of the house, No. 32, Westbourne-park, to one storey in height, and asking to be allowed to continue the bay projection the whole height of the house, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

65. St. Marylebone.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Miller, on behalf of Mr. James Carter, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a greenhouse or office in front of the "Knights of St. John" tavern, Finchley Road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

66. St. Marylebone—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Tyler and Llewellin, for the consent of the Board to a stone and iron balcony in course of construction in front of the house, No. 13, Devonshire-street, Portland-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the cantilevers of the balcony be properly pinned in, to a level line that the landing be made to rest properly on them, and that the work already done be rectified and executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

67. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. J. Mitchell, for the consent of the Board to the construction of

overhanging eaves to a pair of semi-detached villas in St. James's-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the soffits of the proposed eaves be covered with Portland cement, one inch thick, and that the party wall be corbelled out to break the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

68. Wandsworth—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Beeston, Son, and Brereton, for the consent of the Board to the construction of porches and outbuildings to three cottages in High-street, Roehampton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed porches and outbuildings be constructed in all respects in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act.

69. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Martin, for the consent of the Board to the construction of overhanging eaves to five detached houses on the Lime Grove Estate, Putney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

70. Westminster.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. T. W. Miller, on behalf of Messrs. Swain and Hall, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open portico in front of the house, No. 38, Trevor-square, Knightsbridge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

71. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Wallen, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a drying shed at Mr. Parker's whiting factory, St. James's-street, Hatcham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the application be granted, on condition that brick piers of sufficient strength be substituted for the proposed wooden storey posts, and that the whole of the work be executed to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

72. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. Strong, for the permission of the Board to retain an open shed recently erected in the rear of his house in West Street, Triangle, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

73. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Lucas, Brothers, for the permission of the Board to retain for a further period certain workshops and other temporary buildings near Downs Park Road, in connection with their works for the Great Eastern Metropolitan Extension Railways.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the buildings be removed by the applicants at their own expense within twelve months from the present time.

74. Bethnal Green.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, on an application of Messrs. Beck and Lee, on behalf of the Improved Industrial Dwellings Company (Limited), requesting the Board to modify the condition imposed by their Order of the 6th ultimo (No. 55), directing that Three Colt-lane be widened to 20 feet from the centre of the road, and stating that they were unable to effect more than a partial widening, as all the property was not in their hands; recommending, for the reasons stated in the Report, that the application be granted.

Resolved, *unanimously*—That the application be granted, and that compliance with the condition in the order of the Board of 6th May last (No. 55) with regard to the widening of Three Colt-lane be not insisted upon.

75. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. S. Belham, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a projection

in front of the coach-house at the premises, No. 91, New-road, Sloane-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

76. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Withers, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, joining Almack-road and Powerscroft-road, Lower Clapton, and of the name "Lawley-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted, and that the proposed name be approved.

77. Islington.—**Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the consideration of the application of Mr. Horace Field, on behalf of Mr. John Crossley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Liverpool-road to Westbourne-road East, Holloway, and of the line of frontage in the road to Liverpool-road, and of the name "Crossley-street" for the new road, be adjourned until Friday next.

78. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. E. Varden, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of footways on land in the rear of St. Ann's Villas, Notting-hill.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

79. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Colls and Sons, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the house, No. 50, Holland-street, at the corner of Observatory-avenue, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

80. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. F. Bacon, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street on Lady Otway's Estate, South Lambeth-road, and of the name "Blicke-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

81. Mile End Old Town.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Staley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses in Victoria-place, Bancroft-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the two houses, Nos. 1 and 2, Victoria-place, (referred to in the application) be pulled down; that the fence and gates across Albert-road be removed; and that a road, 40 feet in width, be continued up to the wall of the "Union."

82. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Jarvis and Son, on behalf of the Governors and Guardians of St. Mary, Newington, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, and for sanction to the proposed line of building frontage in an existing road on the Walworth Common Estate, Camberwell-road, and of the name "Boyson-road" for the new road.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

83. Plumstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Pound, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to connect Burnt-ash-lane with Manor-road, Lee, and of the name "Stancliffe-road," for the same.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that Manor-road be widened to 20 feet from its present centre.

84. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Hammersley, for the abolition of the name "West Cromwell-gardens."

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

85. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. F. Macdonald, for the re-numbering of the houses in Upper Hartland-road, Kentish Town.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

86. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Todd, for the sanction of the Board to the names "Shellwood-road," "Poyntz-road," and "Knowsley-road" for three new streets on the Harefield Estate, Battersea, the formation of which was sanctioned by the Board on the 27th ultimo, (No. 14).

Resolved—That the application be granted.

87. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Adams and Son, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a builder's shed and store at Maze-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

88. City of London.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, asking for payment of the sum of £16,392 10s. 0d. being the amount agreed to be contributed by the Board towards improvements at Nos. 87 to 98, and at the east end of Fenchurch-street; stating that the site had not yet been given up to the public; that theworkmen had not finished paving the roadway; that he was unable at present to report on the actual net cost of the improvement, owing to the surplus land not having been disposed of, and that it would be necessary to defer payment of the sums applied for until it has been ascertained what ground-rents will be realized.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

89. St. George, Hanover Square—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th June, 1870, relative to the erection of a building adjoining the Victoria Station of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, beyond the line of frontage; and as to advertising boards which have been placed, for a length of about 300 feet, around the vacant space outside the said Railway Station, and beyond the line of buildings; stating that the boards in question might, in the event of a storm, be dangerous to the public, and suggesting that this matter and the question as to the infringement of the line of frontage, be referred to the Solicitor, for report.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Solicitor, for report.

90. Islington—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. James Harrison, on behalf of Mr. Charles Pontifex, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at the brewery in Ball's Pond-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

91. St. Giles-in-the-Fields—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. J. Trehearne, on behalf of Mr. Kent, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at his warehouse, Nos. 199 and 201, High Holborn.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the requirements of the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor according to law, and that the superstructure be also erected to his satisfaction.

92. Camberwell.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Enoch Clarke, and Son, for the permission of the Board to inclose with walls of less thickness than is required by the Metropolitan Building Act, some portions of their floor-cloth factory at No. 143, Neate-street, Coburg-road, Old Kent-road, as shown upon the drawing accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

93. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th June, 1870, on a communication from the Vestry of Newington, relative to buildings in course of erection by Messrs. Sutton and Dudley, in Little Park-place, to which the Board on the 1st April last (No. 64), had refused their sanction.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dresser Rogers—That the said letter, and the Architect's Report on the matter, be referred to the Solicitor for consideration and report.

94. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. James Stansfeld, Secretary to the Treasury, dated 9th June, 1870, stating that an Order has been sent to the Bank of England to receive from the Chamberlain of the City of London the sum of £59,753 15s. 6d., the net amount of the Coal and Wine Duties to the 31st March, and to place the same to the credit of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund Account.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for their information.

95. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. George Hopwood, Secretary to the Metropolitan District Railway Company, dated 2nd June, 1870, acknowledging the receipt of this Board's letter, relative to the Norfolk-street Station Works, and stating that it will be at once forwarded to the Company's Engineer.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

96. Read a letter, as follows—

Sewers' Office, Guildhall, 10th June, 1870.

Ground—West-end of Upper Thames-street.

Dear Sir,—After due consideration of the question the Commissioners of Sewers are of opinion that notwithstanding the Metropolitan Board of Works decline to alter their vote in aid of the improvement in the above street, the same should be effected in continuation of that some years since commenced by the Commissioners in that street, and they accordingly agree to purchase the ground in question as shown on their plan, for the sum of five thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.—(£5,250.)

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JOSH. DAW,
Principal Clerk.

Jno. Pollard, Esq., Clerk, &c.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

97. Read a letter, as follows—

Sewers' Office, Guildhall, 7th June, 1870.

Saint Paul's Church Yard, W Area.

Dear Sir,—On the subject of the Improvement proposed to be effected on the above site, I am directed by the Improvement Committee of the Commissioners of Sewers to inform the Metropolitan Board of Works that they have transmitted to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral a copy of your letter of the 3rd May last, communicating the views of the Metropolitan Board thereupon, and asking for the expression of the views of the Dean and Chapter on the question of opening, for carriage traffic, the north-side of the Church-yard.

To this letter the Committee have had laid before them the following Resolution of the Dean and Chapter, which I hand to you; and have to ask the favour of the further opinion of the Metropolitan Board of Works; and that they will re-consider their Resolution on the Commissioners request for a vote in aid of opening out so large an improvement of the public-ways at the western end of the Cathedral as that which I conveyed to you in my letter of the 16th of March last, although the Dean and Chapter do not at present see their way for a further extension.

The Committee earnestly hope the Metropolitan Board will not allow this opportunity to pass without liberally aiding in a work of such great Metropolitan importance.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JOSEPH DAW,
Principal Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk, Metropolitan Board of Works.

(Copy.)

Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the Dean and Chapter of Saint Paul's, on Thursday, 19th May, 1870.

North-side of Cathedral.

"The under written letter of Mr. Daw having been read,

"Resolved—

"That, as, in the opinion of the Dean and Chapter, the opening of the north-side of the "Cathedral for the traffic of carts and carriages would affect the safety of the public frequenting "the Cathedral, the Chapter do not at present see their way to the entertaining of the proposal."

(Signed) JOHN B. LEE,
Chapter Clerk.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

98. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. Walker, Clerk to the Vestry of Shoreditch, dated 8th June, 1870, accepting the Board's offer to pay the Vestry the sum of £2,500 towards the expense of paving a portion of Shepherdess Walk.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to carry out the arrangement.

99. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. G. C. Harding, Clerk to the Vestry of Kensington, dated 27th May, 1870, thanking the Board for agreeing to contribute the sum of £4,250 towards the cost of a proposed improvement by the widening of Plough-lane, and connecting Campden-hill with the Uxbridge-road.

100. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Charles Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 10th June, 1870, stating that they propose to effect an improvement at the south end of Sloane-street, on the east side, by setting back the two shops, Nos. 148A and 148B, and the railing of Trinity Church and Schools, as shown upon the Plan accompanying his letter, and requesting the Board to contribute towards the cost thereof.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

101. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 4th June, 1870, requesting the Board to pass Orders for the re-numbering of the houses in John-street, Marlborough-road, and for abolishing the subsidiary names in Bond-street, Chelsea and re-numbering the houses consecutively.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

102. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Lahee, Clerk to the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 3rd June, 1870, stating that Mr. T. Sloman's application for permission to retain a temporary building recently constructed at the entrance to Cremorne Gardens, contrary to the Act, had been granted without reference to the suggestion of the Vestry; requesting a copy of the Architect's Report on the application, and urging the Board, at the expiration of six months, to cause the building to be removed.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration, with authority to act upon any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

103. The Clerk presented the following letters, viz.—

Letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Clerk to the Vestry of Camberwell, dated 11th June, 1870, calling attention to the necessity for the re-numbering of the houses in Grove-lane, Camberwell.

Letter from Mr. G. W. Currie, dated 10th June, 1870, transmitting the names of two additional gentlemen in favour of the Memorial against the alteration of the numbers of the houses in Hyde Park Street, and stating that, if necessary, a deputation of the inhabitants will wait on the Board in the matter.

Letter from Mr. W. W. Willink, dated 2nd June, 1870, stating that the numbers of most of the houses in Hyde Park-street have been altered in accordance with the Board's Order, and objecting to such Order being rescinded.

Letter from Mr. F. A. Millbank, M.P., dated 6th June, 1870, complaining of annoyance owing to some new houses of an inferior description in Earl's Court-gardens, South Kensington, being named West Cromwell-gardens.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

104. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. E. D. Drury, District Surveyor for St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, dated 3rd June, 1870, accepting the conditions imposed by the Board in connection with his appointment to the District Surveyorship.

105. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. S. Wynn, dated 7th June, 1870, submitting suggestions for the utilization of the sewage of the Metropolis.

106. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. Peake, dated 16th June, 1870, on behalf of the Managers of the West London School District, asking whether the Board would advance the Managers the sum of £55,000 at £3 17s. 6d. per cent., or at any other and what rate of interest, for the purpose of enabling them to build their school premises at Ashford.

Resolved—That the Clerk do, after conferring with the Deputy-Chairman of the Finance Committee, send a suitable reply to the said letter.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 24th instant, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

No. 23.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **24th** day of **June**, 1870, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Thomas John White, Esq.
Charles Henry Elt, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Edward Dresser Rogers, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq., Deputy.
Charles Stuart Barker, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Runtz, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Edward John Thompson, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Thomas Turner, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
George Pitney Meaden, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Col. James Macnaghten Hogg.
Francis Hayman Fowler, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
James Richard Lloyd, Esq.
William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.

1. Previously to the Minutes of the 17th instant being signed, the Clerk reported that in the record of the division which took place on that day, on the subject of the refreshments to be sold in Finsbury and Southwark Parks, Mr. Collinson's name appeared as having voted on both sides. Mr. Collinson having stated that he had voted on the occasion in question with the "Ayes," the Minutes were altered accordingly, and they were then approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at the meeting.

2. The Chairman informed the Board that he had received a communication from Sir William Tite, M.P., to the effect that he had felt it his duty, having regard to the state of the business before the House of Commons, to withdraw the Metropolitan Buildings and Management Bill this year; that before doing so he had suggested to the Secretary of State for the Home Department the expediency of the Government undertaking the charge of the Bill next year; and that, although Mr. Bruce could not absolutely undertake to do this, he had given him some reason to hope that it might be so.

3. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. Layton, Clerk to the Vestry of Islington, dated 18th June, 1870, forwarding a copy of a resolution passed by the Vestry, as follows—

Friday, June, 17th, 1870.

At a Meeting of the Vestry of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, duly convened for that purpose, held at the Vestry Offices.

Present Mr. John Reddish, in the Chair, and Seventy-seven other Vestrymen.

It was Moved by Mr. Samuel Smith, Seconded by Mr. Jno. Crisp Hillman—

"That Mr. Charles Henry Elt be, and he is hereby, re-elected a Member to represent this "Vestry at the Metropolitan Board of Works, to supply the vacancy caused by the going out of "office of the said Charles Henry Elt by effluxion of time."

Motion put to a show of hands, and declared carried unanimously.

A true extract from the Minutes of the Vestry.

(Signed) JOHN LAYTON, Vestry Clerk.

4. Mr. Moreland handed in a letter from Mr. W. W. Hayne, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Luke, Middlesex, dated 24th June, 1870, calling attention to the long crossing over the entrance to Shepherdess-walk, and suggesting the desirability of placing a refuge at the centre of the crossing.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

5. Mr. White handed in a letter from Mr. E. Hollis, dated 24th June, 1870, stating that the Westminster District Board of Works proposed to effect an improvement by widening a portion of the road in the Broadway, at an estimated cost of £300, and requesting the Board to contribute one-half of the outlay.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. White—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Committee do meet on the spot to view the proposed improvement at 11.30 a.m. on Monday next.

6. Read a letter as follows—

St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, Vestry Hall, Borough Road,
23rd June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed to call the attention of the Metropolitan Board of Works to a case which appears to the Vestry of this Parish to contravene the provisions of the 98th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

In St. George's New Town, Kent-street, is an existing road, passage, or way, called Westcott street, on one side of which are rows of houses, and on the other has recently been erected a high wall, against which will probably be built lean-to or other erections. But whether it remain a mere fence wall, or be used as supposed, it leaves the road (which at present is formed for the purpose of carriage traffic) of a less width than either forty or twenty feet, being for the greater part of its length less than fifteen feet in width.

This locality greatly needs improvement, and to this end receives the constant attention of the Vestry, by whom I am directed to inquire whether the Metropolitan Board of Works have, in relation to this street, given any permission, such as they have the power to give under the 99th Section of the same Act? and if they have not, whether they will at once take energetic proceedings to compel in this densely populated district a due observance of the law?

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) DANIEL BIRT.

J. Pollard, Esq.,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Superintending Architect be instructed to define the line of frontage in Westcott-street.

7. Read a letter as follows—

Guildhall, E.C., 16th June, 1870.

SIR,—I am directed by the Special Committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the reception of His Imperial Majesty the Sultan in the City, on the 18th July, 1867, to transmit to you the accompanying medal commemorative of the event, with a request that the same may be deposited in the Library of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) F. WOODTHORPE.

The Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Savage—That the medal in question be deposited in the library, and that the thanks of the Board be conveyed to the Committee of the Corporation for their courtesy in sending it.

8. Mr. Collinson, Deputy-Chairman of the Works and General Purposes Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 20th June, 1870.

Under the authority conferred upon them, your Committee have drawn cheques for the undermentioned sums for payments required in connection with Improvements now in progress—

Stingo Lane Improvement.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Re Kimber—		
Kimber, Elizabeth—Purchase-Money, Leasehold, No. 15. Stingo-lane (west side)	325 0 0	
Baines, C.—		
Surveyor's Fee, as per Contract	11 0 0	
		336 0 0

Main Drainage and Main Sewers.

Re Sales—	
Sales, F. J.—Purchase-Money, Freehold Land at Crossness	40 0 0

Thames Embankment, North.

Re Ritson—	
Amount of Award, including taxed costs.	8,644 18 4
	£9,020 18 4

Your Committee have proceeded on the resolution of the Board of the 13th May last (No. 17), referring to them the subject of the supply of Coal and Coke for use at the various Pumping Stations, Fire Brigade Stations, Gas-meter Testing-houses, and at the Office in Spring-gardens, during the ensuing year, with authority to issue advertisements inviting Tenders for the supply. Your Committee, having carefully prepared fresh schedules and forms of Tender, caused the necessary advertisements to be issued for the probable quantity required, viz., 10,326 tons of coal, and 415 chaldrons of coke, and they have now received tenders from the following firms—

The Cannock Chase Railway Colliery Company,
Mr. Robert Gamman,
„ Daniel Radford,
Messrs. Locket and Judkins,
The Hirwain Coal and Iron Company,
Messrs. Cory and Son,
„ Wayne and Co.,
„ Charrington, Sells, and Co.

The Accountant, by direction of your Committee, has prepared an abstract of the several tenders, from which it appears that the tender of Messrs. Cory, amounting in the aggregate to £8,964 11s. 0d. is the lowest. Your Committee beg to submit the abstract referred to for the information of the Board, and they recommend that Messrs. Cory's tender be accepted.

In compliance with your resolution of the 17th instant (No. 33), your Committee have also considered the report of the Engineer on a letter from Messrs. Paine and Layton, on behalf of the City Gas Company, relative to their proposal to accept an offer made by Mr. Webster to unload and tip the coals through the new subways at a charge of 11d. per ton. As directed by the Board, the Engineer has, after conference with the Solicitor, written to Messrs. Paine and Layton informing them that Mr. Webster had to deliver coals to the Company during the progress of his works, but that the Embankment being now so far complete as to enable the Company to supply themselves from the river, the Company's contract with Mr. Webster could not be recognised as far as this Board is concerned. Your Committee beg to submit a copy of the Engineer's letter with this report, and they recommend that it be approved.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
E COLLINSON,
JOHN SAVAGE,
ROB$^{T.}$ FREEMAN,
C. H. ELT,
J. O. HALL.

Abstract Referred to in the Foregoing Report.

	Cannock Chase Railway Colliery Company.		Robert Gamman.		Daniel Radford.		Locket & Judkins.		Hirwain Coal and Iron Company (Limited).		Cory and Son.		Wayne and Co.		Charrington, Sells, and Co	
		£ s. d.		£ s. d		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Cremorne—																
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Abbey Mills—																
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Gas-meter Testing-houses—																
36 Tons Welsh	..	..	19/9	35 11 0	19/6	35 2 0	18/6	33 6 0	19/5	34 19 0	21/0	37 16 0	19/8	35 8 0	20/0	36 0 0
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Fire Brigade Stations and Engines—																
600 Tons Wallsend ..	..	..	19 3	577 10 0	18/0	540 0 0	18/6	555 0 0	...	..	19/0	570 0 0	...	..	20/0	600 0 0
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LETTER REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
17th June, 1870.

GENTLEMEN,—This Board have had under consideration your letter, dated the 14th instant, relative to the proposal of the City Gas Company to accept an offer made by Mr. Webster to unload and tip the coals through the new subways to their premises at a charge of 11d. per ton, and I am directed to inform you that as the works of the Embankment are so far complete as to enable the Company to supply themselves from the River, the Board, so far as they are concerned, are not prepared to recognise the Company's proposed arrangement with Mr. Webster.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) THOMAS LOVICK, for the Engineer.

Messrs. Paine and Layton.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Tender of Messrs. Cory and Son, amounting in the aggregate to £8,964 11s., for the Coal and Coke required by the Board at the various Pumping Stations, Fire Brigade Stations, Gas-meter Testing-houses, and at the Office in Spring Gardens, during the year commencing 1st August next, be accepted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the letter addressed by the Engineer to Messrs. Paine and Layton, relative to the proposal by the City Gas Company to accept the offer made by Mr. Webster to unload and tip the coals through the new Subways, be approved.

9. The Board considered further as to the amounts remaining unpaid of the first moiety of the sums named in the Consolidated Precepts issued by them for the year 1870.

The Clerk reported that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 13th May last (No. 15), he had addressed a communication to each of the Vestries, District Boards, &c., who were then in default, acquainting them that on the expiration of three weeks from that date, it would become the duty of the Board to make Rates upon the several parishes, &c., in default, for levying all sums which might then remain due under such Precepts, and he laid before the Board a statement showing the sums paid, and those outstanding on the several Precepts to this date.

Mr. Westerton informed the Board that the question of collecting the Board's rate had been under the consideration of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square; that the arrangements of the Vestry would not admit of their collecting the rates themselves on the present occasion, but that he hoped that in future they would be in a position to do so.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the necessary steps be taken for making a rate on the parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for raising the amount named in the Consolidated Precept for the year 1870.

Resolved and ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorised, and he is hereby authorised to demand and receive from Joseph Henry Smith, he being the person having control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, in the County of Middlesex, a true copy of such Rate.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. A. Warren, dated 18th May, 1870, stating that the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of Lambeth were not at present in a position to make the payment required, but that they would do so immediately they could procure the funds from the rate now in collection.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. Lovely, dated 10th June, 1870, stating that the Fulham District Board hoped to be able to pay the first moiety of the Precept issued to them, by the 24th instant.

The Clerk reported that he had received no reply from the Greenwich District Board of Works.

The Clerk also reported that the Woolwich Local Board had not paid the balance of the amount of the first moiety of the Precept issued to them.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. M. Doyle, dated 28th May, 1870, on behalf of the Society of Lincoln's Inn, stating that it would be convenient to adhere to the arrangement heretofore observed for the collection of the sum payable by them, by the officer appointed by the Board.

Resolved—That the necessary steps be taken for the preparation of rates on the Inner Temple and Lincoln's Inn respectively.

Resolved—That, in the cases of Lambeth, Fulham, Greenwich, and Woolwich, no further steps be taken until after the second moiety of the Precepts has become due.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in Feet.	Size.	Material.	
KENSINGTON.				
Intended roads and mews on the Eagle Lodge Estate, Brompton	1,265 *138 560	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ 3′ 0″ × 2′ 0″ 18″ barl.	1 brick. ½ ,, ½ ,,	* Recommended for approval, subject to the ground being suitable and the works being carried out under proper supervision.
Plough-lane, Notting-hill, and intended mews on the western side thereof	155 110	18″ barl. 12 inch.	½ brick. Pipe.	The same as applied for.
CHELSEA.				
Lancefield - street, Herries - street, Beethoven - street, Dart - street, Kilburn - lane, &c., Kilburn and Harrow-road Estate	About 4,400 297 170	3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ 12 inch. 6 inch.	1 brick. Pipe. Drain.	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to execute the works therein recommended.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, stating that the Holborn District Board had applied for permission to stop up High Holborn, from Gray's-inn-road to Dean-street, for four weeks, from the 4th July next, for the purpose of re-paving; and that the St. Giles's District Board had applied for permission to stop up Holborn, from Dean-street to Newton-street, for six weeks, from the 4th July next, for the same purpose; recommending that the applications be granted, but that, considering the importance of Holborn as a thoroughfare, the District Boards should be urged to carry out the works within the shortest period practicable.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given to the closing of the thoroughfares in question by the said District Boards, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works; and that the District Boards be urged to complete the works within the shortest period practicable.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, stating that Mr. John Paget, lately employed as Special Clerk of Works on the Hermitage Lock Sewerage Works, had been ill for the last few weeks, and unable to perform his duties; and that the works upon which he was employed were now complete.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that one of the medical officers of the Fire Brigade be requested to visit Mr. Paget, and to report on his state of health.

13. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
23rd June, 1870.

On the Staff required for the supervision of the Engineering Works in the Metropolis.

In April last I reported to the Board that their Engineering works were superintended by three Assistant Engineers and six District Clerks of Works, with the assistance of such Special Clerks

of Works as were from time to time required; and that of the six District Clerks of Works one, Mr. J. Bennett, had always been employed upon the supervision of the more important special works in hand, for which from his age and experience he was well qualified. Of the others, one had died, and one had been superannuated.

The Board then determined for the future to have two Assistant Engineers only, and directed me to make such temporary arrangements as might be necessary for working their districts, and to report again within three months as to the permanent assistance which would hereafter be required.

I now beg to state that Mr. Grant's division has been worked with the temporary assistance of a Special Clerk of Works, Mr. H. Bennett, in addition to the two District Clerks of Works, and I recommend that his appointment as a District Clerk of Works be confirmed by the Board.

Mr. Lovick has, at present, one District Clerk of Works only for his enlarged division, and to enable him to get over the area with sufficient rapidity a man and horse and chaise have been hired. A Special Clerk of Works, Mr. W. G. Fisk, has also acted temporarily as a District Clerk of Works for Mr. Lovick's part of the Metropolis, and I recommend that he be permanently appointed to that post. But two District Clerks of Works are not sufficient for the effective supervision of Mr. Lovick's division, and he, like Mr. Grant, will require three Assistants. As this would permit of the horse and chaise now employed being discontinued, a third Assistant, paid at the same rate as the District Clerks of Works, would add about £50 per annum only to the cost of the present temporary and inadequate arrangements, and the total saving in this branch of the Board's staff would be £950 per annum, or, deducting Mr. Cooper's retiring allowance, £550 a year, and I recommend that Mr. Edward Bazalgette be appointed as such third Assistant in Mr. Lovick's district.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Statement of the Works upon which Mr. Edward Bazalgette has been employed up to 1870, *attached to the foregoing Report.*

He was, at an early age, trained specially for the profession of a Civil Engineer, having studied the applied sciences at King's College and the School of Mines.

At the end of 1865, he commenced his professional career as an articled pupil of his father. During 1866 he was employed mostly in learning surveying, levelling, drawing, and the general engineering business of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

In 1867 he worked as a mechanic for six months, in the manufacture of locomotives and other steam-engines, at the works of Messrs. Stephenson and Co., at Newcastle, and then spent some months at the Crossness and Abbey Mills Pumping Stations, where he made himself thoroughly acquainted with the mechanical arrangements of those establishments.

In 1868 he assisted in the preparation of the surveys and plans for the drainage of Glasgow; took the levels and prepared some of the plans for the drainage of Windsor Castle, Hampton Court Palace, and the Cray Valley in Kent. The greater part of that year he spent in acquiring practical knowledge upon the Thames Embankment and drainage works of the Board.

Towards the latter end of 1868, and during the early part of 1869, he was engaged in writing a paper for the student class of the Institution of Civil Engineers upon the qualities, and preparing an analysis of the comparative cost and strength, of various kinds of cements, limes, concrete, and brickwork used in building operations, when he added much to his practical knowledge of these subjects, and for which he was awarded by the Institution the first prize to the value of twenty guineas.

Early in 1869 he went out to Port Louis, Mauritius, for the Colonial Government, where he took charge of a staff of resident assistants, prepared the surveys and levels, and procured and brought home all necessary information as to the value of labour and materials, and otherwise for the completion of plans and estimates for the drainage of that town.

Since his return last autumn he has been constantly engaged in the formation of a coffer-dam, and in underpinning and deepening the foundations of a large wharf on the banks of the River Thames which was in a dangerous condition.

It was moved by Mr. Roche, seconded by Mr. Dresser Rogers, and

Resolved—That the Report be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board, and be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, submitting a form of Report, filled up by the Assistant Engineer, relative to the progress of the works of the bridge in course of construction for carrying the Great Eastern Railway over Downs-road, Hackney.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd June, 1870, on letters from the Fulham District Board of Works and from inhabitants of King-street, Hammersmith, calling attention to the offensive state of the creek adjacent thereto; stating that, although the main evil was, in his opinion, caused by the action of the tide leaving upon the banks a great deal of filth and sediment, there were some local drains which discharged into the creek, and thus added to the nuisance, and recommending that the attention of the District Board be drawn thereto, with a view to their causing the drains to be diverted from the creek and connected with the sewer in the road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved and acted upon.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd June, 1870, on a letter from Mr. F. J. Evans, submitting for approval a plan of the chamber proposed to be constructed at each end of the Whitechapel subway, for the valves on the Chartered Gas Company's main laid therein; recommending that the same be approved, provided that a strong air-grating be placed over each chamber, instead of the 3-inch York stone proposed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the plan submitted by Mr. Evans be approved, provided that a strong air-grating be placed over each chamber, instead of the 3-inch York stone proposed.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, recommending the execution of the following works under the General Contracts, viz.:—Extension of side entrance in Fulham-road, nearly opposite Chancellor-road, at an estimated cost of £32. Reinstatement of the paving to the approaches to the Northern Outfall Sewer Bridge, Balaam street, Plaistow, at an estimated cost of £30.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works in question be executed under the General Contracts, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th June, 1870, on a letter from the London Gas Light Company, applying for permission to lay a 30-inch main in the subway between Westminster Bridge and a point opposite Arundel-street, and from thence under the Embankment roadway to that street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Freeman—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that an officer of the Gas Company be invited to attend the Committee.

19. Mr. Phillips, in the absence of Mr. Saunders, the Deputy-Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens, 21st June, 1870.

Your Committee have to report that Third Class Firemen, Abraham H. Felton and Frederick Simson, and Fourth Class Firemen, William Mahoney, Thomas Mathias, George Pettman, Elijah Hemmings, Charles Davies, and Thomas J. Irons, desire to resign their situations, and your Committee recommend that they be permitted to do so.

Your Committee have also to report that there are now thirteen vacancies in the Brigade, and to recommend that the following men, who have passed the usual medical examination, be appointed in the Fourth-Class of Firemen, viz., William Eames, William Ward, Benjamin Howard, James E. Owen, Frederick Quicke, William Arnold, Michael Coughlin, William Littlefield, John B. Livingstone, Matthew J. Howes, Frederick G. Anning, Joseph W. King, and Charles T. Gibbins.

The Board, on the 9th November last, on the recommendation of your Committee, dispensed with the services of George Low, First-Class Fireman, on account of his being incapacitated for duty through mental and bodily infirmity. They, at the same time, granted to him the sum of £10. Low had only been in the service of the Board about two years and a half, having been transferred to them at the time that they took over the Escapes from the

Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire. He had previously been in the service of the Society for many years. Your Committee have lately received information that Low is utterly incapable of doing work of any kind, and that he has no means of support. It is believed that some members of the Royal Exchange, where Low was stationed for many years in charge of the Escape, are interesting themselves on his behalf, with a view to obtaining some slight provision for him. In the meantime, as a temporary expedient, that the man may not be left quite destitute, your Committee recommend that an allowance of ten shillings a week be made to him for three months.

Your Committee reported, on the 18th March last, that they had ordered of Messrs. E. H. Bayley and Co., four vans, for the purposes of the Brigade, at a cost of £43 each. Since then it has been found necessary to make some alterations in the form of three of the vans, leaving the fourth as originally contracted for. One of the vans has been altered at a cost of £13 11s. 9d., and the other two will be altered at a cost of £9 each.

Your Committee regret to have to report that their attention has been called to the fact that Messrs. Parsons and Telling, the contractors for the erection of the Paddington Fire Brigade Station, improperly sent a sum of money to the Clerk of Works employed in the superintendence of the work. Mr. Hart Bennett, the officer in question, had directed the contractors to take down part of a wall which was improperly bonded. The contractors having failed to comply with this direction, it was repeated. A few days afterwards, Mr. Bennett received a letter from Messrs. Parsons and Telling, asking him to meet them on the works on the following Monday, and in their letter was enclosed a £5 note. This letter, with its enclosure, was at once, very properly, handed by Mr. Bennett to Mr. Cresy, and by him laid before your Committee. They have had Mr. Parsons, one of the contractors, before them, and expressed to him their sense of the impropriety of such conduct, and of the injury thereby done to the character of his firm as contractors. At the same time they handed back the money to Mr. Parsons. Your Committee also expressed to Mr. Hart Bennett their satisfaction and approval of his praiseworthy conduct, an approval which they feel sure will be confirmed by the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
J. S. PHILLIPS,
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Legg—That Third-Class Firemen Abraham H. Felton and Frederick Simson, and Fourth-Class Firemen William Mahoney, Thomas Mathias, George Pettman, Elijah Hemmings, Charles Davies, and Thomas J. Irons be permitted to resign their situations.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Legg—That William Eames, William Ward, Benjamin Howard, James E. Owen, Frederick Quicke, William Arnold, Michael Coughlin, William Littlefield, John B. Livingstone, Matthew J. Howes, Frederick G. Anning, Joseph W. King, and Charles T. Gibbins, be appointed in the Fourth-class of Firemen.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That an allowance of 10s. per week, for three months be granted to George Low, late First-Class Fireman, who is incapacitated by illness from following any employmet.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the sum of £6 10s. 0d. be granted to George Low in consideration of his infirmity.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was carried, and having been put as an original motion, was also carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the course taken by the Committee with regard to Messrs. Parsons and Telling be approved.

20. **Resolved**, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the letter from Mr. E. D. Drury, District Surveyor for St. Margaret, &c., Westminster, presented to the Board on Friday last (No. 104), and all letters that may from time to time be received from District Surveyors, accepting the conditions imposed by the Board in connection with their appointments, be entered on the Minutes of the Board; and the letter of Mr. Drury is accordingly entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day—

35, Bucklersbury, E.C., June 3rd, 1870.

SIR,—In reply to yours of the 1st instant, I beg to say that I accept the conditions therein contained in connection with my appointment to the Surveyorship of St. Margaret, St. John, and the Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, Westminster.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) EDWD. D. DRURY.

John Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

21. Read a letter as follows—

16, Basinghall Street, 18th June, 1870.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your letter of yesterday's date, I beg leave to say that I accept the office of District Surveyor for Greenwich upon the conditions prescribed by the Board,

I am, Dear Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) BENJAMIN TABBERER.

To John Pollard, Esq., Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

22. Read a Report as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.
24th June, 1870.

PETROLEUM ACTS, 1862 AND 1868.

Memorandum relative to Licenses for storing Petroleum for sale.

In compliance with the order that a circular should be prepared, that document was forwarded to those dealers whom the Board had from time to time licensed, in order that they might intimate their desire to have their licenses renewed.

They were requested to state whether the premises were still in the same hands; the quantity sufficient; the conditions as to storage unaltered; and the observance of the special requirements of the Acts.

The accompanying Schedule contains 671 cases in which affirmative replies to the several questions have been received.

Licenses for 12 months from the 30th instant have been prepared agreeably with the forms of License approved by the Works and General Purposes Committee.

The condition as to taking samples at the cost of the Board is omitted; and a footnote appended to intimate that by the 5th Section of the Act of 1862 it is provided that "any Licensee violating any of the conditions of his License shall be deemed an unlicensed person."

The premises of the applicants in the seven new cases having been inspected, and the arrangements for storing found satisfactory, Licenses may be granted for 12 months from this day.

I recommend that the several Licenses be granted.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY, Superintending Architect.

The list of applications in respect of which licenses were recommended to be granted was laid before the Board.

Resolved—That licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of Twelve calendar months from the 30th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
BERMONDSEY	Bayley, Henry	12,196	184, Grange Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Franklin, Hy. and Co.	12,444	58 and 59, Gedling Street, Dockhead	350	,, ,, and tank.
,,	Burley, Jno. David	12,445	95, Keeton's Road	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Truman, Geo. Fredk.	12,448	55, Jamaica Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Hallatt, Saml.	12,519	25, Grange Terrace, Blue Anchor Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Truman, Mrs. S.	12,573	38, St. James's Road, Blue Anchor Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Dallow, Fredk.	12,615	35, Parker's Row	10	,, ,,
,,	Paget, Edwd.	12,632	1, Picton Terrace, Linsey Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Rowntree, Edmd. Hy.	12,672	Anchor Street, Blue Anchor Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Chandler, Christr.	12,743	1, Albert Terrace, Blue Anchor Road	30	,, ,,
,,	Blakeley, Thos.	13,691	83, Jamaica Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Page, Jabez	14,047	160, Bermondsey Street	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Lee, John	14,114	14, Perseverance Street	5	,, ,,
BETHNAL GREEN	Creamer, Geo.	12,262	411, Hackney Road	5	Vault P.d.
,,	Ferdinando, Josh. Hy.	12,308	148, Green Street	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Bowen, Josh.	12,309	114, ,,	8	,, ,,
,,	Langton, Orton	12,601	414, Bethnal Green Road	6	,, ,,
,,	Stimpson, Frank	12,636	6, Bonner's Lane, Victoria Park	5	Yard ,,
,,	Palacio and Co.	12,674	475, Hackney Road	30	,, ,,
,,	Stubbs, Hy.	12,766	10, Roman Road, Victoria Park	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Berdoe, E.	12,935	511, Hackney Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Toye, E. J.	13,769	8, Bonner's Lane, Old Ford Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Pereira, Jesse	13,909	429, Bethnal Green Road	720	Whse and Shop. btls. and Can.
CAMBERWELL	White, Chas. G.	12,279	298, High Street	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Ham, Wm. Augustus	12,281	138, Wyndham Road	10	Whse. ,,
,,	,,	,,	115, Southampton Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Ray, Benjn.	12,291	909, Old Kent Road	4	Yard ,,
,,	Box, John	12,329	189, Camberwell Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Westaway, Jas.	12,377	21, Peckham Park Road, Old Kent Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Austin, Fras.	12,378	Rye Lane, Peckham	10	,, ,,
,,	Barmby, Wm.	12,406	35, Church Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Williams, Wm.	12,467	209, Southampton Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Grainger, Jas.	12,561	783, Old Kent Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Wakefield, Geo.	12,676	133, High Street, Peckham	10	,, ,,
,,	Caudle, Wm. Hy.	12,677	9, Willowbrook Road, Peckham	10	,, ,,
,,	Leach, Alfd.	12,898	42, Sultan St., Avenue Road	3	,, ,,
,,	Weeden, Jas. Hy.	12,943	2, Great Wood's Place, St. George's Road, Peckham	5	,, ,,
,,	Barwell, Benjn.	12,944	4, Catherine Place, Commercial Road, Peckham	10	,, ,,
,,	Silvers, T. S.	12,969	19, Church Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Moody, Jas.	13,049	59, Church Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Wrench, H.	13,238	17, Edward's Terrace, St. George's Road	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Taylor, Thos.	13,286	81, High Street, Peckham	1	Shop btls.
,,	Plummer, Geo.	13,392	185, ,,	1	,, ,,
,,	Beattie, Jas.	13,408	144, Asylum Road, Peckham	1	,, ,,
,,	Hunt, Wm.	13,482	Camberwell Green	3	,, ,,
,,	Lomas, Josh. W.	13,559	785, Old Kent Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Germain, Thos.	13,967	78, Queen's Road, Peckham	2	Shop P. c.
,,	Beale, Danl.	14,235	6, Christiana Place, Victoria Road, Peckham	20	Shed P. d.
,,	Ainley, M. H.	14,240	Cambridge Terrace, Victoria Rd., Peckham	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Jeffries, Edwd.	14,328	2, Heaton Place, Peckham Rye	1	,, ,,
,,	Broom, G. J.	14,413	Cobourg Road, Old Kent Road	5	Shed P.
,,	Hall, J. C.	14,414	206, Camberwell Road	10	,, ,,
CHELSEA.	Curtis, Saml.	12,324	8, College Street	5	Yard P.d
,,	Bennett, B.	12,436	46, King's Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Purdom, Geo.	12,440	20, ,,	30	,, ,,
,,	Parry, S.	12,452	5, Strewan Place, King's Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Vout, Mrs. S.	12,485	1, North Street, Sloane Street	3	,, ,,
,,	Armstrong, H. S.	12,541	92, King's Road	20	,, ,,
,,	Jones, H. S.	12,553	139, Fulham Road	2	Shop btls.
,,	Sydney, A. W.	12,575	127, King's Road	10	Whse.P.d.
,,	,,	,,	1, Flood Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Roberts, Wm.	12,577	25, Lower Sloane Street	10	,, ,,

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
CHELSEA.	Farr, John	12,792	1, Oakley Crescent, Oakley Street	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Amoore, Alfd. Stares	12,872	173, Sloane Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Hazle and Baker	13,006	38, Manor Street, King's Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Lowe and Wylde	13,013	53, King's Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Bartlett, Wm.	13,322	1, Britten Terrace, King's Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Quiller, Chas. Rowett	13,515	148, Sloane Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Smith, Saml. B.	13,992	3A, Camera Street, King's Road	10	Shed P.d.
CLERKENWELL.	Chipperfield, Robt.	12,163	245, Goswell Road	20	Yard ,,
,,	Moore, John	12,251	310, ,,	5	,, ,,
,,	Henderson, Fk.	12,664	55½, Southampton Street	2	,, ,,
,,	Le Beau, Timy.	12,684	49, Clerkenwell Green	5	Vault ,,
,,	Holt, Chas.	12,721	321, Goswell Road	5	Yard ,,
,,	Pattison, Geo.	12,921	139, St. John Street Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Phillips and Butler	13,069	106, King's Cross Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Wootton, Wm.	13,627	33, Liverpool Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Hunt, Jas.	13,798	24, Exmouth Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Heaford, W. T.	14,055	30, Meredith Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Green, Hy. W.	14,170	6, Compton Street	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Jarvis, Thos.	14,250	169, St. John Street Road	5	Shed ,,
,,	Balmer, J.	14,257	205, ,,	1	Shop btls.
,,	Rudrum, Jno.	14,299	36, Exmouth Street	1	Shop P. c.
FULHAM	Sykes, W.	12,198	11, Richmond Terrace, Shepherd's Bush	10	Vault P.d.
,,	Angell, R. S.	12,264	23, King Street, Hammersmith	20	Yard ,, sunk
,,	Staite, John E.	12,283	10, Rothsay Terrace, Bradmore, Hammersmith	10	Yard P. d. Iron box
,,	Curtis, Saml.	12,324	18, Moore Park Terrace, King's Road	10	CellarP.d.
,,	,,	,,	3, Prospect Place, Walham Green	10	Yard ,,
,,	Cross, Mrs. Hannah B.	12,345	7, Gane Place, New Road, Hammersmith	10	Yard P.d. Cell
,,	Leigh, E. F.	12,454	2, Brook Green Terrace, Hammersmith Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Foden, G. I.	12,560	4, Britannia Place, Walham Green	10	,, ,,
,,	Tuckwell, Jno.	12,598	5, Gibb's Green, North End	4	Whse. ,,
,,	Knight, Geo.	12,731	1, Albion Road, Hammersmith	16	Yard ,,
,,	Richards, Rd.	12,884	3, Union Cottages, Bradmore, Hammersmith	20	,, ,,
,,	Stathers, Jno.	12,917	43, Norland Road, Notting Hill	1	Shop btls.
,,	Brodribb, Jno. B.	12,977	16, Dorcas Terrace, Hammersmith Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Everett, H.	12,996	Richmond Place, Moore Park	1	,, ,,
,,	Mitchell, A. M.	13,221	1, Coningham Terrace, Uxbridge Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Mewkill, Thos.	13,613	5, Edith Terrace, North End	10	,, ,,
,,	Parry, W. P.	13,648	148, King Street, Hammersmith	1	Shop btls.
,,	Cripps, J.	13,924	155, King Street West, Hammersmith	3	,, ,,
,,	Godfrey, Geo.	14,179	3, Mortimer Road, St. Ann's Road, Notting Hill	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Jones, Wm.	14,489	8, Richmond Terrace, Shepherd's Bush	1	Shop btls.
GREENWICH	Tindley, Wm.	12,384	5, Alma Place, Trafalgar Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Hassell, Alfd.	12,404	19, Greenwich Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Williams, Jno.	12,505	387, New Cross Road	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	3, Alexander Place, Upper Lewisham Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Harrold, Mrs. My. Ann	12,532	26, London Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Bliss, Mrs. J.	12,595	151, High Street, Deptford	10	,, ,,
,,	Jones, Geo. Wm.	12,642	12, Albert Street ,,	5	,, ,,
,,	Poupart, Geo. Cook	12,860	299, New Cross Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Crookes, Rd.	12,887	2, Blackheath Hill	10	,, ,,
,,	Gray, R.	12,946	3, Montague Place, Queen's Road, Peckham	1	Shop btls.
,,	Wickham, Wm.	13,020	509, New Cross Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Phillipps, W.	13,092	357, New Cross Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Phillipps, W.	13,254	Upper Lewisham Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Poulter, Wm.	13,275	60, Wellington Street, Deptford	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Balls, Geo.	13,518	189, High Street, Deptford	1	Shop btls.
,,	Booth, Saml.	13,768	20, Park Row, East Greenwich	1	,, ,,
,,	Smith, G. M.	13,771	Broadway, Deptford	2	,, ,,
,,	Jones, J. Peace	13,788	20, Greenwich Road	1	,, ,,

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept, in gallons.	Storage.
GRENWICH.	Turner, Geo.	13,920	192, High Street, Deptford	6	Yard P. d.
,,	Mallam, Geo.	13,946	4, Blackheath Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Stringer, David	13,971	9, Trafalgar Rd., East Greenwich	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Turner, Mrs. Bertha	14,041	66, High Street, Deptford	6	,, ,,
,,	Freeman, Rd.	14,243	1, Albert Place, Upper Lewisham Road	1	Shop btls.
HACKNEY.	Williams, W. E.	12,221	1, Clapton Road, Lower Clapton	20	Yard P. d.
,,	Middleton, Bros.	12,292	15, High St., Stoke Newington	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Harvell, E. J.	12,316	338, Mare Street	10	Shed ,,
,,	King, Thos.	12,457	3, Kingsland Green	10	Cellar ,,
,,	Gillett, Mrs. Caroline	12,682	16 & 17, High Street, Kingsland	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Tipping, T. J. W.	12,883	High Street, Stoke Newington	1	Shop btls.
,,	Gadd, Hy.	12,920	7, High Street, Kingsland	2	,, ,,
,,	Garva, Mrs. Lucy	12,982	Lower Clapton	3	,, ,,
,,	Clapp, Edwd. F.	13,008	35, Church Street, Stoke Newington	1	,, ,,
,,	Church, Wm.	13,089	3, Prince's Terrace, Wick Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Morris, J. R.	13,161	14, Clarence Rd., Lower Clapton	2	Shop btls.
,,	Watson, Thos.	13,189	Grove House, New Grove St.	10	Area P. d.
				5	Whse. ,,
,,	Bolton, Thos.	13,352	98, Queen's Road, Dalston	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Wilkinson, Benjn. J.	13,420	1, Middleton Road, Kingsland	1	,, ,,
,,	MacGeorge, William	13,567	9, Weston Terrace, Green Lanes, Stoke Newington	2	,, ,,
,,	Cooper, W. W.	13,593	2, Amhurst Road West, Stoke Newington	1	,, ,,
,,	Steer, Philip R.	13,864	411, Mare Street,	1	,, ,,
,,	George, Hy.	13,922	Well Street	6	Cellar P. d
,,	Thorpe, Hy.	14,018	92, Queen's Road, Dalston	4	Shed ,,
,,	Alesbury, Wm.	14,146	1, Valentine Road, Well Street	10	Yard ,,
,,	Wortley, Thos.	14,169	1, Alma Terrace, Church Road, Homerton	5	,, ,,
,,	Parkes, W. E.	14,273	262, Mare Street	2 qts.	Shop btls.
HAMPSTEAD.	Coles, Chas.	12,807	1, King's College Rd., Adelaide Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Vooght, J. W.	13,047	22, Victoria Terrace, Finchley Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Eminson, Jno. M. O.	13,067	9, Rutland Terrace, Abbey Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Humphreys, Rd.	13,068	9, Upper Belsize Terrace, Belsize Park	1	,, ,,
,,	Fletcher, J. B.	13,127	Albert Terrace, Kilburn	2	,, ,,
,,	Biggs, Walter	13,282	49, High Street	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Foster, Geo.	13,395	29, Heath Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Biggs, Walter	13,492	1, Pond Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Eve, Chas.	13,523	57, High Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Cheek, Martin	14,201	118, Boundary Road, St. John's Wood	8	Yard P. d.
HOLBORN.	Cumming and Co.	12,338	4, Bleeding Hart Yard, Hatton Garden	30	Vault ,,
,,	Fowler, S.	12,396	54, Leather Lane	10	Yard ,,
,,	Lambert, Geo.	12,715	90, Leather Lane	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	4, Gray's Inn Road	1	Shop P. c.
,,	Burgess and Co.	12,825	101, High Holborn	10	Shop btls.
,,	Wood, Thos.	12,979	4A, Leather Lane	200	Yard Pit P. d.
,,	Tupholme, Jno. T.	13,160	80, Lamb's Conduit Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Slipper, Jas.	13,398	87, Leather Lane	10	Whse P. d.
,,	Povey, Hy.	13,986	20, Red Lion Street	6	Yard ,,
,,	Bainbridge and Pound	14,483	60, Leather Lane	5	Leads ,,
,,	Noakes, Hy.	14,490	31, Liquorpond Street	5	Whse. ,,
ISLINGTON.	Crame, Chas.	12,140	106, Essex Road	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Masham, Jno., Junr.	12,305	38, Cross Street	10	Yard ,,
,,	Walton, Wm.	12,306	400, Essex Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Furlong, Jno.	12,313	53, Upper Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Davis, J. R.	12,317	54, Packington Street	12	Vault ,,
,,	Frost, Thos. Rt.	12,357	28, Caledonian Road	9	,, ,,
,,	Templer, Jas.	12,405	47, ,, ,,	10	Cellar ,,
,,	,, ,,	,,	98, ,, ,,	2	Shop ,,
,,	Masham and Kettle	12,434	45, Packington Street	5	Yard ,,
,,	,, ,,	,,	312, Essex Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Davis, W. T. and A. W.	12,437	381, New North Road	10	Shed ,,
,,	Parslow, Charles	12,451	40, Ball's Pond Road	10	Yard ,,
,,	Perry, Edwd.	12,489	43, South Street, New North Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Browne, Geo. Rt.	12,524	7, Roman Road	12	,, ,,
,,	Thompson, Rd.	12,582	273, New North Road	20	,, ,,
,,	Roy, Chas.	12,612	383, Liverpool Road	10	,, ,,

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ISLINGTON	Bruton, Wm.	12,652	15, Arthur Terrace, Caledonian Road	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Bosman, Jno.	12,656	7, Durham Road, Seven Sisters' Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Marcham, Jno.	12,678	8, Blundell Street, Caledonian Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Hadfield, Jas.	12,679	18, St. James's Road, Holloway Road	40	Whse. ,,
,,	,,	,,	York Road, Belle Isle	200	,, ,,
,,	Crocker, Edwin Jas.	12,717	82, Essex Road	2	Yard ,,
,,	Fendick, Jno. Brasnett	12,718	126, Holloway Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Mason, Thos.	12,719	40, Lower Bemerton Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Thorn, Jas. C.	12,774	16, Market Place, Junction Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Cross, Hy.	12,803	309, New North Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Free, John	12,389	1, Albert Terrace, Barnsbury Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Aldridge, Wm. Valentine	12,846	9, Rosoman Buildings, Islington Green	200	,, ,,
,,	Battell, Wm.	12,876	155, Caledonian Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Fisher, Edwin A.	12,892	386, Holloway Road	5	Shed ,,
,,	Mason, Fras.	12,894	10, Clarence Terrace, Seven Sisters' Road	20	,, ,,
,,	Ashton, Wm. O.	12,954	47, King Henry's Walk, Mildmay Park	5	Yard ,,
,,	Wilkinson, Stephen	12,970	47, Wynford Road, Barnsbury Road	5	Vault ,,
,,	Davenport, Philip S.	13,070	99, Caledonian Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Cuff, Joshua Harcombe	13,075	South-East Entrance to Metropolitan Cattle Market	60	Yard ,,
,,	Pitman, J. Robt.	13,076	5, Whittington Place, Highgate Hill	1	Shop btls.
,,	Turner, E. D.	13,088	116, Ball's Pond Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Millson, W.	13,102	172, Caledonian Road	3	,, ,,
,,	Lance, Wm. Natl. Geo.	13,136	207, Copenhagen Street	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Higgs & Co.	13,137	5, Theberton Street	1	,, P.c.
,,	,,	,,	39, ,, ,,	4	Whse. P.d.
,,	Owen, J.	13,149	234, Upper Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	,,	,,	51, Holloway Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Oliver and Hall	13,150	205, Upper Street	5	Shed P. d.
,,	Haswell, Joshua Edwin	13,188	9, Marlborough Terrace, Upper Holloway	1	Shop btls.
,,	Tasker, Wm.	13,218	21, Upper Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Kemp, Hy. Rt.	13,460	220, Holloway Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Whincup, W.	13,493	404, Essex Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Davis, Saml. Forbes	13,514	4, Durham Place West, Seven Sisters Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Lees, Jas.	13,528	2, Upper Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Mac George, Wm.	13,567	346, Essex Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Haycock, Hy.	13,596	78, Essex Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Kemp, Rt.	13,608	205, Holloway Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Mee, Geo.	13,713	79, Grosvenor Road, Highbury New Park	1	,, ,,
,,	Brown, Rt. Thos.	13,987	40, Essex Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Roberts, Edwd.	14,024	64, Cottenham Road, Upper Holloway	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Hatton, Mrs. E. E.	14,026	93, Newington Green Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Botwright and Kemp	14,233	208, Upper Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	,, ,,	,,	Junction Road, Upper Holloway	1	,, ,,
,,	Povey, Hy.	14,251	16, Bowman's Place, Holloway Road	5	Shed P. d.
,,	Allan and Smith	14,259	17, Pierrepont Row, Islington Green	20	Yard ,,
,,	Wren, Hy.	14,288	26, Neville Terrace, Hornsey Road	10	Shed ,,
,,	Quinlan, Josh.	14,329	59, Barnsbury Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Allchin, Alfd.	14,344	180, ,, ,,	1	,, ,,
,,	Brind, E.	14,345	67, St. Peter's Street	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Harle, T. W.	14,346	23, Essex Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Milward, S.	14,363	10, Crown Terrace, Upper Holloway	1	,, ,,
,,	Applegate, E.	14,372	5, Hercules Terrace, Holloway Road	1	,, ,,
KENSINGTON	Wilkins, Jno.	12,263	55, Fulham Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Kitchen, Jas.	12,375	13, Tavistock Terrace, Portobello road, Notting Hill	10	Vault ,,
,,	Whait, Isaac	12,376	5, Portobello Road, Notting Hill	10	Yard
,,	Garwood, W. R.	12,415	203, Brompton Road	11	Vault ,,

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KENNINGTON	Ockenden, Jas.	12,510	1, Grove Terrace, Notting Hill	24	Yard P.d.
				1	Shop btls.
KENSINGTON	Johnson, Thos.	12,558	25, High Street	12	VaultP.d.
,,	Spong and Co.	12,568	104, Fulham Road	20	Whse. ,,
,,	Horwell, Thos. Edwd.	12,581	109, High Street, Notting Hill	10	,, ,,
,,	Long, Hy.	12,726	48, High Street, Notting Hill	2	Shop btls.
,,	Hibbard, L.	12,728	4, Golborne Road, Kensal Road	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Hales, Mrs. Emma	12,751	89, Brompton Road	10	Cellar ,,
,,	Starling, John	12,759	5, Tottenham Street, Kensal New Town	10	Yard ,,
,,	Sharpe, Geo. Young	12,794	34, High Street, Notting Hill	1	Shop btls.
,,	Pickering, Bernard	12,810	23, Brompton Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Hall, F. G.	12,811	1A, Selwood Terrace, Fulham Rd.	1 qt.	,, ,,
,,	Taylor, H.	12,817	39, Ledbury Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Blades, Foster	12,854	5, Gloucester Terrace, South Kensington	1	,, ,,
,,	Dyson, Wm. B.	12,862	4, Gloucester Road, South Kensington	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Lidwell, Joshua Edwd.	12,889	130, High Street, Notting Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Fowler, Stanley	12,890	36, Elgin Crescent	1	,, ,,
,,	Fowler & Sheppard	12,916	51, Holywood Road, West Brompton	1	,, ,,
,,	Lee, T.	12,966	4, St. Mark's Terrace, Cornwall Road	6	Yard P.d.
,,	Edwards, J. J.	12,971	192, Fulham Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Preston, Rd.	12,995	100, Fulham Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Garner, Jas.	12,998	62, High Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Crosse, H. A.	13,012	170, Clarendon Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Cosway, Edwin Chas.	13,022	19, Notting Hill Terrace, Notting Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Hunter, Jno.	13,023	22, High Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Baker, Alfd. P.	13,027	33, Norfolk Terrace, Westbourne Grove	1	,, ,,
,,	Lawrence, Hy.	13,109	11, Lower Phillimore Place	1	Shop btls.
,,	Field, W.	13,110	83, Brompton Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Corder, Jno.	13,139	4, Edwardes Terrace, Kensington Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Ayling, Chas.	13,176	17, Manchester Buildings, Silchester Road, Notting Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Jones, W. O.	13,194	34, Cambridge Terrace, Cornwall Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Luff, Rd.	13,212	1, Bute Street, Old Brompton	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Rowden, Lewis	13,281	89, Prince's Road, Notting Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Hickman, William	13,525	122, Kensington Park Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Ive, W.	13,569	Stanhope Terrace, Gloucester Rd.	1	,, ,,
,,	Humphrey, Chas.	14,331	102, Portland Road, Notting Hill	5	Vault P.d.
,,	Stickland, Wm. Hy.	14,336	40, Alfred Place West, Thurloe Square	1	Shop btls.
,,	Brooks, Hy.	14,401	6, Archer Street, Westbourne Grove	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Killik, Geo. J.	14,421	7, Lower Terrace, Notting Hill	2 qts.	Shop btls.
LAMBETH	Burbridge, Robt.	12,258	36, Lambeth Walk	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Edwards, Owen	12,318	30, Vauxhall Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Driver, Thos. Geo.	12,368	90, Waterloo Road	50	Whse ,,
,,	Spice, Hy. Thos.	12,402	76, Lower Marsh	20	Yard ,,
,,	Steane, F. Geo.	12,428	170, Lambeth Walk	10	,, ,,
,,	Steane, Bros.	12,482	7, Manor Rise, Brixton	20	,, ,,
,,	Simpson, C.	12,513	4, Pratt Street, Church Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Pooles, Charlotte	12,526	3, High Street, Lower Norwood	15	,, ,,
,,	Harvey, R. H.	12,543	2, Woodall Place, Brixton	12	,, ,,
,,	Sharland, Jno.	12,546	54, Mostyn Road, Brixton Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Truman, Jno.	12,572	15, Richmond Terrace, Spring Grove	10	,, ,,
,,	Hall, Rd. Saml.	12,586	132, Lower Marsh	10	,, ,,
,,	Hall, Rd. Saml.	12,746	166, Upper Kennington Lane	5	,, ,,
,,	Cheetham, Wm. Hy.	12,858	22, Commerce Place, North Brixton	2	Shop btls.
,,	Gadd and Son	12,868	1, Harleyford Road, Vauxhall	2	,, ,,
,,	Wallbank, Wm. Isaac	12,945	30, Auckland Street ,,	5	Cellar P.d.
,,	Walker, Byatt	13,081	26, Clapham Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Dyer, A. Johnson	13,115	3, Acre Lane, West Brixton	2	,, ,,
,,	Adams, Jas.	13,128	10, New Park Road, Brixton Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Hunt, Saml.	13,277	High Street, Lower Norwood	3	,, ,,
,,	Kendall, Chas. F.	13,450	126, Clapham Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Bastick, Saml.	13,478	332, Kennington Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Coles, John W.	13,479	197, Camberwell New Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Wastie, Fras.	13,533	183, Lower Kennington Lane	1	,, ,,

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LAMBETH.	Harris, Harry	13,575	2, Northampton Terrace, Denmark Hill	1	Shop btls.
,,	Vincent, R.	13,612	46, Lower Marsh	5	Cellar P.d.
,,	Pegler, F.	13,618	Chapel Road, Lower Norwood	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Barge, Jno.	13,619	1, Brighton Place, Brixton Road	10	Whse P.d.
,,	Izod and Co.	13,629	Gipsy Hill	1	Shop btls.
,,	Robinson, S.	14,052	4, Surrey Place, Wandsworth Road	10	Shed P. d.
,,	Brooks, Chas.	14,061	Southville, Wandsworth Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Spice, H. T.	14,139	46, New Cut	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Edwards, F. H.	14,193	58, Lambeth Walk	1 qt.	Shop btls.
,,	Goff, Geo. R.	14,237	179, Westminster Bridge Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Balch, E.	14,241	14, Claremont Place, North Brixton	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Freeman, Rd.	14,243	70, Kennington Park Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Hall, Rd. Saml.	14,283	179, Arch, Union Place, Lambeth Road	30	Yard P. d.
,,	,,	,,	32, Lower Marsh	10	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	154, Lambeth Walk	10	Cellar ,,
,,	Bennett, C. R.	14,293	2, Edmunds Terrace, Stockwell Green	20	Yard ,,
,,	Nosworthy, R.	14,294	236, Clapham Road	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Fay, Cyrus	14,295	Stockwell Green	1	,, ,,
,,	Fearnside, W. H.	14,296	5, Stockwell Place, Clapham Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Lewis, Jno. P.	14,297	290, Clapham Road	1	,, ,,
,,	McCreery, J. M.	14,298	306, Kennington Park Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Thompson, R.	14,378	72, New Cut	40	Shed P.d.
,,	Austin, Bros.	14,381	5, Atlantic Terrace, Cold Harbour Lane	10	Yard ,,
,,	Ashton, Geo. F.	14,394	4, Elizabeth Place, Cold Harbour Lane	1	Shop btls.
,,	Hopkins, Thos.	14,397	14, Cornwall Road, Brixton Hill	1 pt.	,, ,,
,,	Knight, Jas.	14,399	New Park Road, Brixton Hill	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Charsley Nathl.	14,402	4, Manor Rise, Brixton	1 qt.	,, ,,
LEWISHAM	Spackman, Arthur Jno.	12,449	9, Montpelier Vale, Blackheath	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Reed, Chas. Wm.	12,901	High Road	2	Shop btls.
,,	Furze, Hy.	12,948	6, Havelock Terrace, Forest Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Lang, Wm.	13,051	Kirk Dale, Upper Sydenham	1	,, ,,
,,	Spicer, John	13,083	Station Road, Penge	10	Shed P.d.
,,	Turner, Mrs. Mary	13,250	High Street, Upper Sydenham	6	Yard ,,
,,	Pocklington&Holloway	13,276	Upper Sydenham	2	Shop btls.
,,	Lavers & Son	13,401	5, Montpelier Vale, Blackheath	1	,, ,,
,,	Miller, C. B.	13,413	8, Osborne Place ,,	1	,, ,,
,,	Clift and Crow	13,416	Lee Bridge	2	,, ,,
,,	Sayers, W. J.	13,425	4, Granville Terrace	2	,, ,,
,,	Ryde, Wm. H.	13,574	Clifford Terrace, Maple Road, Penge	1	,, ,,
,,	Coleman, Friend	13,766	High Street, Forest Hill	1	,, ,,
,,	Sowter, G.	13,969	6, Royal Parade, Blackheath	1	,, ,,
,,	Wootton, G. M.	13,970	7, Maple Road, Penge	12	Whse.P.d.
,,	Weatherill, W.	14,071	1, Dulwich Road, Penge	5	Shed ,,
,,	Bennett, T.	14,113	High Street, Penge	1	Shop btls.
,,	Lyon, Jno. West	14,285	High Street, Forest Hill	36	Yard Cask
,,	,,	,,	High Street, Upper Sydenham	36	,, Cistern
LIMEHOUSE.	Loader, Geo.	12,392	166, White Horse Street	5	,, P. d.
,,	Hassell, Alfd.	12,404	105, Three Colt Street	6	,, ,,
,,	Laming, Hy.	12,421	153, White Horse Street	8	,, ,,
,,	Smith, Saml. Geo.	12,606	3, Frederick Terrace, Rhodeswell Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Goodwin, Wm. Thos.	12,637	104, High Street, Shadwell	15	Whse. ,,
,,	Hancorne, Edwd.	13,381	9, East India Dock Road	2	Shop btls.
,,	Roberts. Geo.	14,067	51, Stainsby Road	5	Shed P. d.
,,	Chaple, Chas.	14,275	20, St. Paul's Road, Burdett Rd.	2 qts.	Shop btls.
MILE-END OLD TOWN.	Cutbush, Reuben	12,348	540, Mile End Road	10	CellarP.d.
,,	Stephenson, Jas.	12,394	153, Sidney Street	5	Yard ,,
,,	Swan, J. R.	12,438	5, Mile End Road	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Mann, Edwd.	12,483	283, Oxford Street, Stepney	8	Yard ,,
,,	Tuckwell, Thos. Geo.	12,504	175, Mile End Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Horner, Edwd.	12,511	209, ,,	7	,, ,,
,,	Jeffery, Hy.	12,600	6, Sidney Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Tettmar, Alfd.	12,658	33, Regent Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Cobb, Wm.	12,897	300, Mile End Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Marshall, Jno.	13,179	9, Canal Road	5	,, ,,
,,	McDermott, M. A.	13,310	1, Union Place, Commercial Road East	1	Shop btls.

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Mile End Old Town.	White, F.	13,732	1, New Road, Commercial Road	1 qt.	Shop btls.
,,	Arundell, H. and H.W.	14,106	28, Turner's Road, Burdett Road	4	Yard P.d.
,,	Armstrong, Jno.	14,228	1, Heath Place, Commercial Road East	10	,, ,,
Newington.	Dawkes, Henry	12,243	331, Walworth Road	10	Whse. ,, Iron door
,,	Bassham, Jno.	12 315	194, Great Dover Street	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Driver, Thos. Wm.	12,380	139, Lorrimore Road, Walworth	10	,, ,,
,,	Limbrey, Edwd.	12,410	299, Walworth Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Perren, Josh.	12,494	107, Trafalgar Street	20	Shed ,,
,,	Croughton, Thos. H.	12,941	61, Newington Butts	5	Whse. ,,
,,	Wallbank, Wm. Isaac	12,945	27, South Street, Walworth	5	Shed ,,
,,	Cameron, A. G.	13,048	29, Villa Street	10	Yard ,,
,,	Hart, Bros.	13,449	38, Blackman Street, Borough	1	Shop btls.
,,	Smith, Wm. Fk.	13,461	280, Walworth Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Parrot, J.	13,495	44, Camberwell Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Smith and Richards	13,520	139, Newington Causeway	1	,, ,,
,,	Cook, Jas. Hy.	13,671	4, Villa Street, Walworth	5	Shed P.d.
,,	Wilson, Rt.	14,068	277, Kent Street	5	,, ,,
,,	Hughes, H. D.	14,109	1, Gurney Street, Walworth	1	Shop btls.
,,	Warin, J.	14,322	41, Blackman Street, Borough	1	,, ,,
,,	Strange, Paul	14,400	260, East Street	1	,, ,,
Paddington.	Stevens, Geo. W.	12,154	14, Westbourne Place	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Woods, Edmond	12,290	5, Margaret Terrace, Paddington Green	5	,, ,,
,,	Horwell, Thos. Edwd.	12,581	85, Ledbury Road, Bayswater	10	,, ,,
,,	Maitland, Jno.	12,666	10, Chester Place	1	Shop btls.
,,	Rowson, Hy.	12,695	2, Chichester Street, Harrow Rd.	1	,, ,,
,,	Clarke, Thos.	12,831	107, Cirencester Street	12	Cellar P.d.
,,	Wakefield, Hy.	12,891	5, Richmond Road, Westbourne Grove	10	Vault ,,
,,	Savory and Moore	12,911	1, Lancaster Gate, Hyde Park	1	Shop btls.
,,	Rose, Alf.	12,914	441, Edgware Road	2	Shop btls.
,,	Wagstaff, Jno. Hy.	12,951	9, Sheldon Street, Bishop's Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Shirley, J. G.	12,964	2, Westbourne Grove	1	,, ,,
,,	Watts and Co.	12,965	217, Edgware Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Downes, Foster D.	12,976	9, Celbridge Place, Westbourne Park	1	,, ,,
,,	Brightmore, Walter	12,999	237, Maida Vale	1	,, ,,
,,	Williams, Josh. Jno.	13,002	13, Desborough Place, Harrow Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Skidmore, Jno.	13,003	25, Chilworth Street, Westbourne Terrace	1	,, ,,
,,	Moore and Co.	13,026	45, Craven Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Hogg, Rt.	13,028	9, Albion Place, Hyde Park Square	1	,, ,,
,,	McLean, J.	13,151	11, Clifton Road, Maida Vale	1	,, ,,
,,	Seward, Bros.	13,195	14 and 16, Westbourne Grove	10	Vault P.d.
,,	Barton, E.	13,327	21, Chippenham Terrace, Harrow Road	10	Yard ,,
,,	Cawdell, Geo.	13,407	12, London Street, Norfolk Sq.	2	Shop btls.
,,	Dunkerly, Jas.	13,415	69, Westbourne Park Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Bullen, Thos.	13,553	13, Hereford Road, Bayswater	1	,, ,,
,,	Pidduck, Jno.	13,600	11, Bridge Terrace, Harrow Rd.	1	,, ,,
,,	Horncastle, Jno.	14,027	17, Craven Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Young, Wm.	14,050	8, Neeld Terrace, Harrow Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Wood, S.	14,056	57, Richmond Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Boully, P.	14,180	188, Queen's Road, Bayswater	1	Shop btls.
,,	Cheek, Martin	14,201	26, Westbourne Terrace North, Harrow Road	8	Vault P.d.
Plumstead	Cole, Alfd. C.	13,144	High Road, Lee	1	Shop btls.
,,	Frost, W. Toogood	13,285	3, Gordon Terrace, Lee Green	2	,, ,,
,,	Mellin, Chas. J.	13,696	High Street, Eltham	2	,, ,,
,,	Marsh, T.	13,972	Old Charlton	2	,, ,,
,,	Clarkson, A. F.	14,347	27, Anglesea Road	5	Yard P.d.
Poplar	Milton, Edmund	12,371	253 and 255, High Street	12	,, ,,
,,	Roberts, Jas.	12,596	4, Pennyfields	5	Shed ,,
,,	Blott and Co.	12,673	Chrisp Street, Bromley		Distillation &c., premises & Yard
,,	Roberts, J. W.	12,692	295, Roman Road, Bow	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Collins, Hy.	12,742	15, Ship Terrace, Cubitt Town	15	,, ,,
,,	Hayward, Hy.	12,767	287, Roman Road, Bow	4	,, ,,
,,	Freeman, R.	12,983	13, High Street, Bow	5	,, ,,
,,	Bush, Hy.	13,059	48, ,, ,,	2	,, ,,
,,	Watkiss, Jesse	13,292	13, Swaton Road, Bromley	6	,, ,,

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept, in gal ons.	Storage.
POPLAR.	Griffiths and Co.	13,329	White Post Lane, Hackney Wick		Distillation &c., premises & Yard
,,	Ingall, Phillips, & Co.	13,393	Mellish's Wharf, Millwall		Sunk Tank and Excav. Whses.
,,	Burt, Boulton, & Haywood	13,423	Millwall		Distillation &c., premises & Yard
,,	Kernot, G. C.	13,469	6, Chrisp Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	,,	,,	5, Suffolk Terrace, Upper North Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Roberts and Johnson	13,792	Rowatt's Wharf, Bow		Premises & Yard
,,	Lightfoot, Jas. Love	13,934	54, Robin Hood Lane	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Clerc, Léon	13,988	Davey Road, Hackney Wick		Distillation &c., premises & Yard
,,	Frazier, Josh.	14,038	3, Guilford Road, Bromley	5	Yard P.d.
ROTHERHITHE	Chandler, Christr.	12,743	3, Church Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Flack, Chas.	14,010	1, Commercial Place, Lower Road	10	Shed ,,
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQ.	Price, Edwd. L.	12,531	193, Ebury Street, Pimlico	10	Vault ,,
,,	Potts and Son	12,725	26, South Audley Street	2	Shop btls.
,,	Watson and Richards	12,729	32, St. George's Place, Knightsbridge	1	,, ,,
,,	Vizer, Edwin B.	12,791	63, Lupus Street, Pimlico	2	,, ,,
,,	Fisher and Haselden	12,829	18, Conduit Street, Bond Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Savory and Moore	12,911	143, New Bond Street	2	,, ,,
,,	,, ,,	,,	29, Chapel St., Belgrave Square	2	,, ,,
,,	Wells, Thos.	12,912	91, Charlwood Street, Belgrave Square	3 pts.	,, ,,
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQ.	Hart, Alfd.	13,004	117, Warwick Street, Pimlico	1	Shop btls.
,,	Hucklebridge, J. M.	13,005	116, Ebury Street, Pimlico	1	,, ,,
,,	Wade, Jno.	13,021	174, Warwick Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Hitchcock and Garrard	13,065	9, Bruton Street, Berkeley Square	2	,, ,,
,,	Beddard, Jno.	13,103	46, Churton Street, Pimlico	1	,, ,,
,,	Salter, Thos. Knight	13,270	87 and 88, Mount Street, Berkeley Square	2	,, ,,
,,	Chard, Fk. Jas.	13,524	39, Warwick Street, Pimlico	1	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	19, Eccleston Street ,,	1	,, ,,
ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST	Ritchie and Kingston	12,470	39, Colet Place, Commercial Road, East	10	Yard P. d.
ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK	Livett, Frank, and Son	12,687	72, Blackman Street	70	,, ,,
,,	Fry, J.	13,018	66, London Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Tilleard and Son	13,243	27 and 28, Gt. Suffolk Street	20	,, ,,
,,	Judd, Geo. Jr.	13,266	74, Westminster Bridge Road	5	,, ,,
,,	Hills, Mr.	13,498	282, Old Kent Road	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Williams, Geo.	14,042	109, ,,	20	Shed P. d.
,,	Ball, T. M.	14,191	56, St. George's Road	1	Shop btls.
ST. GILES	Woolcott, R.	12,220	22, King Street, Long Acre	10	Vault P.d.
,,	Bray, Adam	12,282	176, Drury Lane	10	Yard ,,
,,	Purdom, Geo.	12,440	55, Great Wild Street	30	Whse. Tank
,,	Thomas, Hy.	12,885	7, Upper St. Martin's Lane	2	Shop btls.
,,	Maudsley, Wm.	13,030	260, Tottenham Court Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Cooper and Co.	13,193	20, Moor Street, Soho	5	Shed P. d.
,,	Burden, Thos.	13,441	6, Store Street, Bedford Square	3 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Kendrick, Phineas Jno.	13,529	17, Marchmont Street, Brunswick Square	1	,, ,,
,,	Pepper, Jno.	13,534	237, Tottenham Court Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Haines, Saml.	13,592	60, High Street	5	Cellar P.d.
ST. JAMES, WESTMINSTER	Marshall, Thos. Stephen	12,311	6, Brewer Street, Golden Square	10	Area ,,
,,	Bell and Co.	12,602	338, Oxford Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Whitburn, Augs.	12,688	174, Regent Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Mellin, G.	12,808	16, Tichborne Street	3	,, ,,
,,	Hartnoll, E. R.	13,057	7, Tichborne Street	2	,, ,,
,,	Waugh, Geo. & Co.	13,153	177, Regent Street	2	,, ,,
,,	Wilcox & Co.	13,174	336, Oxford Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Roach, Pope	13,394	8, St, James's Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Robbins & Co.	13,508	372, Oxford Street	2 qts.	,, ,,

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St. James, Westminster	Bowden, E. & A.	13,509	13, Charles Street, Haymarket	1	Shop btls.
St. Luke, Middlesex.	Beale, Chas. G.	14,333	5, Carlton Street, Regent Street	2	,, ,,
,,	Lassham, Walter	12,826	76, Central Street	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Warner, Messrs.	12,856	1, Finsbury Square	2 qts.	Shop btls,
,,	Coleman, Geo.	12,980	9, Tabernacle Walk, Finsbury	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Powis, E.	13,465	114, Goswell Street	5	,, ,,
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	Wright, J.	12,841	2, Oxenden Street, Haymarket	1	Shop btls.
,,	Crowe, T. M.	12,842	49, Prince's Street, Leicester Square	1	,, ,,
,,	Barnes, Hy.	12,926	38, Long Acre	200	Firepf. Vlt. and Whse P.d.
,,	Prichard & Constance	13,011	65, Charing Cross	1	Shop btls.
,,	Nurthen and Co.	13,731	390, Strand	2	,, ,,
St. Maryle-bone.	Jarvis, Daniel Kent	12,280	43, Great James Street, Lisson Grove	10	Vault P.d.
,,	Dennis, Walter	12,321	90, Great Titchfield Street	12	,, ,,
,,	Lodder, Edwin Thos.	12,332	50, Paddington Street	10	Cellar ,,
,,	Humphreys, Chas.	12,353	52, Seymour Place, Bryanston Square	10	Yard ,,
,,	Baker, Geo. Hy.	12,391	33, New Church Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Sanger & Sons	12,395	150, Oxford Street	15	Shop btls.
,,	Harvey, Benjn.	12,552	53, Crawford Street, Bryanston Square	10	Cellar P.d.
,,	Young, D.	12,562	44, Exeter Street, Lisson Grove	5	Yard ,,
,,	Swire & Coy	12,567	36, Edgware Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Welton, Saml. Reeve	12,626	68, Seymour Street, Edgware Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Crotch, Jas.	12,634	74, Edgware Road	4	Shop ,,
,,	Bird, Wm. Lionel	12,752	42, Castle Street, East, Oxford Street	6 pts.	Shop btls.
,,	Rouse & Co,	12,753	12, Wigmore St., Cavendish Sq.	2	Shop btls.
,,	Taylor, Jno.	12,754	13, Baker Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Sherlock, J.	12,755	14, Charles Street, Manchester Square.	10	Vault P.d.
,,	King, Thos. Wm.	12,756	108, Crawford Street	1	Shop btl.s
,,	Ford, Rt.	12,772	5, High Street	20	Yard P. d.
,,	Callen, Thos.	12,813	89, Crawford Street	1	Vault P.c.
,,	Field, Geo.	12,814	168, Edgware Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Elam, Benjn.	12,828	196, Oxford Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Twinberrow and Son	12,849	80, Wigmore Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Hopkins and Williams	12,913	5, New Cavendish Street	3	Whse. btls in Iron box
,,	Tarner, A. P.	12,950	97, High Street	2	Shop btls.
,,	Henty, Hy. M.	12,993	19, High Street, St. John's Wood	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Cottrill, J. W.	13,032	24, Park Terrace, Regent's Park	1	,, ,,
,,	Hockin, Wilson, & Co.	13,090	38, Duke Street, Manchester Square	1	,, ,,
,,	Cooper, Wm. Temple	13,091	26, Oxford Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Whittle, E. C. C.	13,196	Townshend Road, St. John's Wood	2	,, ,,
,,	Batchelor, Chas.	13,249	6, Nugent Terrace, Abbey Place St. John's Wood	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Brookes, S.	13,473	62, Lisson Grove	1	,, ,,
,,	Marris, Mrs. M. S.	13,546	37, Berners Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Humphrey, F.	13,799	6, North Street, Edgware Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Sangster, Arthur	13,961	66, High Street, St. John's Wood	1	Shop btls.
,,	Ralph, Thos. Philip	14,049	11, Great Quebec Street	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Gilbert, T. W.	14,110	246, Edgware Road	10	Cellar P.d.
,,	,, ,,	,,	10, Marylebone Lane	10	,, ,,
,,	Mason, Jno. W.	14,134	45, Upper Marylebone Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Lewinton and Co,	14,178	14, Cleveland Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Cheek, Martin	14,201	69, New Church Street, Lisson Grove	8	Yard P.d.
St. Olave, Southwark.	Medhurst, Rd. Wm.	12,488	149, Tooley Street	10	,, ,,
,,	Eyre, Fredk.	12,876A	67, ,,	10	,, ,,
St. Pancras.	Raper, Thos.	12,241	233, Euston Road	5	Cellar ,,
,,	Kitchen, T.	12,257	11, Brill Row, Somers Town	65	Yard ,,
,,	Kingston, Thos.	12,265	42, Warren Street, Fitzroy Square	5	Vault ,,
,,	Kinipple, G. T.	12,335	34, Seymour Street, Euston Square	15	,, ,,
,,	Blockley, Chas.	12,338A	5, Castle Road, Kentish Town	6	Yard ,,

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St. Pancras	Porter, Danl. Josh.	12,339	5, Pratt Street, Camden Town	10	Area P.d.
,,	Tillcard, Alfd.	12,340	5, Kentish Town Road	12	Yard ,,
,,	Stevens, R.	12,342	16, Brookfield Terrace, York Road, Highgate	5	,, ,,
,,	Whelpton, Rt.	12,350	188, Seymour Street, Euston Square	10	Area ,,
,,	Chenoweth, Saml.	12,351	37, Warden Road, Kentish Town	6	Cellar ,,
,,	Porter, Danl. Josh.	12,358	81, Highgate Road	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Baker, Geo. Hy.	12,391	336, Euston Road	10	Yard ,,
,,	Davies, Wm.	12,417	57, Chapel Street, Somers Town	10	,, ,,
,,	Gilbert, Hy.	12,455	96, Park Street, Camden Town	10	,, ,,
,,	Rushbrook, Jno.	12,523	33, Pratt Street, Camden Town	30	,, ,,
,,	Hentsch, Fk. Jno.	12,609	64, Euston Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Povey, Hy.	12,613	216, Kentish Town Road	6	,, ,,
,,	Taylor and Culver	12,617	175, High Street, Camden Town	12	,, ,,
,,	Parsons, Saml. Thos.	12,619	28, King Street, ,,	12	,, ,,
,,	Winkworth, G. E.	12,661	88, Gloucester Road, Regent's Park	10	,, ,,
,,	Winkworth, Rd.	12,762	91, Leighton Road, Kentish Town	6	,, ,,
,,	Williams, Jno.	12,764	1, Jennings's Cottages, Highgate Road	3	Whse. ,,
,,	Merrell, Jas.	12,795	1, Queen's Terrace, Camden Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Cornelius, Jas.	12,805	73, Camden Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Fisher, Edwin A.	12,892	22, Munster Street, Regent's Park	5	Cellar P.d.
,,	George, Wm.	12,922	3, Churchway, Somers Town	8	Yard ,,
,,	Welch, Mrs. Jane	12,967	129, Cromer Street, Brunswick Square	10	Shop ,,
,,	Massam, Edwd.	12,968	227, High Street, Camden Town	5	Yard ,,
,,	Taplin, Wm. Geo.	12,978	75, Hampstead Road	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Jones, Fredk.	13,031	175, Kentish Town Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Mills, Geo.	13,101	225, Gray's Inn Road	10	Yard P.d.
,,	Glover and Co.	13,104	19, Goodge Street	2	Shop btls.
,,	Graham, Mrs. Helen	13,112	308, Gray's Inn Road	10	Vault P.d.
,,	Airey, G.	13,263	231, Great College Street	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Henry, Hy. Crawshaw	13,359	48, Compton Street, Brunswick Square	1	,, ,,
,,	Dunmore, Geo. H.	13,400	81, Malden Road, Kentish Town	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Pritchett, G. M.	13,442	1, Crowndale Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Collins, Jno. R.	13,552	81, Chalk Farm Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Nicholson, W. H.	13,560	115, Ossulston Street, Somers Town	1	,, ,,
,,	Hartnoll, E. R.	13,568	44, Charlotte Street, Fitzroy Square	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Stewart, Jno.	13,594	85, Highgate Road	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Tucker, Mrs.	13,611	1, Ashdown Street, Queen's Crescent, Kentish Town	2 qts.	,, ,,
,,	Mitchell, M.	13,701	31, London Street, Fitzroy Square	1	,, ,,
,,	Rudrum, Jno.	13,754	26, Marchmont Street, Burton Crescent	5	Vault P.d.
,,	Francis, Thos. Harper	13,897	335, Gray's Inn Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Cripps, J.	13,955	13, Goodge Street	3	,, ,,
,,	Povey, Hy.	13,986	128, Ossulston Street, Somers Town	6	Yard P.d.
,,	Hall, Rd. Saml.	14,283	57, Brill Row, Somers Town	40	Yard ,, and Tank
,,	Field and Co.	14,371	112, Camden Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Simpson, Geo. Fredk.	14,455	1, Platt Street, Somers Town	10	Yard p. d.
St. Saviour, Southwark.	Mogridge, Thos.	12,570	10, Cross Street, Blackfriars Rd.	5	,, ,,
,,	Livett, Frank, & Son	12,687	14, Borough	30	Whse. ,,
,,	Stevens, A.	13,510	65, High Street, Boro'	2 qts.	Shop btls.
,,	Gordon McDakin & Co.	13,558	17, Suffolk Grove	300	Sunk tank
,,	Wilmot, Wm.	13,617	83, High Street, Boro'	1	Shop btls.
,,	Doughty, Miles	13,647	26, Blackfriars Road	2	,, ,,
,,	Page and Tibbs	13,919	47, Blackfriars Road	2	,, ,,
Shoreditch.	Kitchen, Edgar	12,239	13, Leonard Street, Finsbury.	50	Yard P.d.
,,	Stevens, Hy.	12,246	3, Cotton Row, Marlboro' Road, Dalston	10	,, ,,
,,	Mizen, George	12,409	183, New North Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Masham and Kettle	12,434	194, Kingsland Road	20	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	4, Cropley Street, Hoxton	12	Whse. ,,
,,	,,	,,	94, St. John's Road	10	Yard ,,
,,	Rose, Geo. Brewster	12,503	124, Goldsmith Row	15	,, ,,
,,	,,	,,	16, Broadway, London Fields	15	,, ,,
,,	Mann, Alfd.	12,518	215, Hoxton Street	20	,, ,,

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SHOREDITCH	Garrard, Hy.	12,520	218, Hackney Road	5	Yard P.d.
,,	,,	,,	57, Old Street Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Thompson, Rd.	12,582	13, Hackney Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Batchelor, Wm.	12,621	16, Weymouth Street, Hackney Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Bitcheno, Jas.	13,033	1, Dean's Mews, Holywell Lane	10	Recess Back Kitchen P. d.
,,	Sutton, Hy.	13,058	11, Crown Street, Finsbury	2	Shop btls.
,,	Osborn and Co.	13,161	14, Canal Road	100	Pit P. d.
,,	Byles, Jas. Hodge	13,178	311, Hackney Road	2	Shop btls.
,,	Horton, H. W.	13,183	36, Pitfield Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Stedman, Jas. Henry	13,184	78, East Road, City Road	1	,, ,,
,,	D'Aubney, Thos.	13,185	82, Shepherdess Walk, City Road	1	,, ,,
,,	Thomas, Wm.	13,265	21, Brownlow Street, Dalston	2	Vault P.d.
,,	Large, J. H.	13 351	65, New North Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Dunn, Squire, and Co.	13,674	9, Princes Square, Finsbury	40	Whse. cap. Car.
,,	Davis, Jno. Morgan	13,714	130, High Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Joyner, C. W.	14,035	55, and 57, Haggerston Road	5	Yard P.d.
,,	Prince and Symmons	14,208	234, Shoreditch	1	Shop P. c.
,,	Smith, Jno.	14,244	237, Kingsland Road	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Holland, Jas.	14,350	101, Haggerston Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Wheeler, Christr,	14,444	143, Hackney Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Fordham and Son	14,474	8, Stanley Street, New North Road	24	Yard tin cases.
STRAND	Simpson, Geo. Fk.	12,495	31, Lisle Street, Leicester Sq.	10	Vault P. d.
,,	Dart, Wm	13,926	30, Southampton Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Bannister, Jno. Hy.	14,029	436, Oxford Street	1 qt.	,, ,,
WANDSWORTH.	Rood, Jas.	12,245	7, Bate's Terrace, Wandsworth Road	40	Yard Sunk Tank
,,	France, Wm.	12,277	121, Larkhall Lane, Clapham	20	Shed P. d.
,,	France, Thos. Mead	12,278	7, Clapham Park Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Hale, Thos.	12,307	56, Bromell's Road, Clapham	15	Yard ,,
,,	Curtis, Saml.	12,324	6, Bridge Road, Battersea	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Burleton, Rd.	12,333	New Wandsworth	12	,, ,,
,,	Millard, Jno.	12,347	23, New Road, Battersea	10	,, ,,
,,	Hall, R. Saml.	12,586	13, Bridge Road, Battersea	10	,, ,,
,,	Bowley and Son	12,723	1, Wellington Road, Battersea	200	Whse. ,,
,,	Crosby, Jas.	12,822	Louvaine Terrace, New Wandsworth	1	Shop btls.
,,	Hopkins and Williams	12,913	Bridge Field	50	Whse. cap. car.
,,	Muncy, W. & D.	12,925	5, Ceylon Terrace, Wandsworth Road	5	Yard P. d.
,,	Short, Geo. J.	12,984	New Wandsworth	10	Whse. ,,
,,	Ashford, H. S.	13,050	3, High Street, Clapham	1	Shop btls.
,,	Leach, Bros.	13,061	49 & 51, High Street	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Nind, Geo.	13,082	103, High Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	Curtis, Saml.	13,583	5, Collingwood Terrace, Plough Lane, Battersea	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Goff, Wm.	13,807	Upper Tooting	10	Shed ,,
,,	Farmer, J.	14,044	10, High Street, Putney	1	Shop btls.
,,	Foster and Dallas	14,059	7, Cedars Row, Lavender Hill	1	,, ,,
WESTMINSTER.	Parry, Jno.	12,372	80, York Street	2	Yard P. d.
,,	Wenborn, J. G.	12,458	34, Regent Street, Vincent Square	10	,, ,,
,,	Whiting, Fk.	12,732	7, Churton Street, Vauxhall Bridge Road	10	Vault ,,
,,	,,	,,	70, Vauxhall Bridge Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Priest, B.	12,748	14, Parliament Street	1	Shop btls.
,,	King H.	12,936	1, Churton Street, Pimlico	1	,, ,,
,,	Barnes, Jas. B.	13,402	1 & 2, Trevor Terrace, Knightsbridge	50	Whse. P.d.
WHITECHAPEL.	Omer, Jno.	12,397	99, Minories	10	Yard ,,
,,	Ritchie, and Kingston	12,470	223, Whitechapel Road	10	,, ,,
,,	Cox, Gould, and Co.	13,143	33, Chicksand Street	20	Whse. ,,
,,	Clerc, Léon	13,264	27, Commercial Street, Spitalfields	30	Vault ,,
,,	Jones, Mrs. and Son	13,610	11, Norton Folgate	6	Cellar ,,
,,	Sutton and Nailor	13,764	23, Whitechapel Road	300	Yard Tank
,,	Coleman and Co.	13,770	265, ,,	1	Shop btls.
WOOLWICH.	Wood, Jas.	12,388	23, Church Street	10	Yard P. d.
,,	Wilson, Thos.	12,498	65 and 66, Wellington Street	16	,, ,,
,,	James, Hy.	12,527	110, Powis Street	2	Shop btls.
,,	Newington, H.	13,599	16, Green's End	1	,, ,,

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Woolwich.	Worsey, Edwd.	13,678	47, New Road	1	Shop btls.
,,	Green, Rt.	13,844	23, Hare Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Rastrick, J. A.	13,879	Church Street	2	,, ,,
,,	Darch, Augs.	13,881	3, Chapel Street	1	,, ,,
,,	Lynn, J. E.	13,921	44, Wellington Street	2	,, ,,

Resolved—That Licenses be granted to the undermentioned persons to keep Petroleum in the places and in the quantities stated below, for a period of Twelve calendar months from the 24th instant, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Superintending Architect.

Parish or District.	Name.	Case No.	Address.	Quantity to be kept in gallons.	Storage
Chelsea.	Cooper, Rd.	15,201	127, Marlborough Road	10	Shed P. d.
Hampstead.	Humphreys, R.	15,209	2A, Belsize Road	1	Shop btls.
Islington.	Morrell, Thos.	15,202	1, South St., New North Road	1	,, ,,
Kensington.	Lugar, Hy.	15,203	53, Kensington Park Road	1	,, ,,
Paddington.	Wakefield, Hy.	15,220	56, Praed Street	10	Shed P. d.
St. James, Westminster	Prichard, E.	15,229	1, Saville Row	1	Shop btls.
St. Maryle-bone.	Jerrans, J. G.	15,204	37, Crawford Street	1	,, ,,

The several licenses were laid before the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licenses; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

23. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the Vestry of Bermondsey, for permission to borrow the sum of £9,000 for paving works in the parish, and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas the Vestry of the Parish of Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of nine thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in the execution of certain works of paving within the said Parish. And **whereas** this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Bermondsey, on the security of the General Rate leviable within the said Parish, and by law applicable thereto, of a sum of nine thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in the execution of the said works of paving within the said Parish, such Loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum, and to be repaid by twenty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the Loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. J. I. Riches, Assistant Clerk to the Vestry, dated 21st June, 1870, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Bermondsey; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

24. The Solicitor stated that he had prepared a Report, in pursuance of the Order of the Board of Friday last (No. 21), on the letter from Mr. C. Wohlgemuth, No. 59, Church-lane, Whitechapel, alleging that the width of the new pavement of the Board's street precluded his using, as formerly, the crane for loading and unloading in front of his premises. The Solicitor suggested that his Report should be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they might arrive with regard thereto.

Resolved—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be acted upon, and that the Report be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee accordingly.

25. The Solicitor reported that the Bill with reference to Stamp Duty on Leases was read a third time and passed in the House of Commons on Monday last; and he presented a copy of the Bill as introduced into the House of Lords.

26. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Inclosure Amendment Bill now stood for Monday, the 4th July next.

27. The Solicitor reported that the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Corporation of London Bill stood further adjourned until Tuesday, the 28th instant. He also reported that the second reading of the County of London Bill stood for the same day.

28. The Solicitor reported that on the bringing up of the order for the second reading of the Railways Construction Facilities Act (1864) Amendment Bill in the House of Commons on Tuesday last, it had been withdrawn.

29. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the Metropolitan Street Tramways Bill had reported it to the House of Commons last night; that the North Metropolitan Tramways Bill, as amended, was considered by the House of Commons on Wednesday last, and ordered to be read a third time; that the London Street Tramways Bill was considered, as amended, on Tuesday last by the House of Commons, and ordered to be read a third time to-night; that the Pimlico, Peckham, and Greenwich Street Tramways (Extension) Bill, as amended, was reported to the House on Tuesday last; and that the Government Tramways Bill would be brought before the Select Committee of the House of Lords this day.

30. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Petition of the Vestry of Paddington against the Kensington Road Improvement Bill; he also reported the reply of Mr. Ayrton to the question of Viscount Milton, with reference to the Bill, to the effect that it would at the proper time be withdrawn.

31. The Solicitor reported that Captain Dawson Damer had asked the Chief Commissioner of Works whether he was aware that measures were now in progress to let for building purposes the inclosure of Leicester-square, and, if so, whether he was prepared to take any steps to preserve that open space in the centre of London for the benefit of the public; that Mr. Ayrton had replied that he could only interfere by means of a private Bill, and that could only be introduced according to the Standing Orders, which required that certain notices should be given which could only be done for next Session; that he, however, objected to the Imperial Government being called upon to discharge the duties which properly belonged to the Local Board, and that this case was another instance of the necessity of reforming the local self-government of the Metropolis.

32. The Solicitor reported that the Committee on the Suburban Commons Bill stood deferred till Wednesday next.

33. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan District Railway Bill had been sent down to the House of Commons, with the amendments made by the House of Lords, and which had been agreed to by the House of Commons, but that it would require to be brought again before the House of Lords on the further amendments made by the Commons.

34. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Railway Bill was read a third time and passed in the House of Lords last night; and that it had been sent to the House of Commons, and would have to be considered by that House as regarded the amendments.

35. The Solicitor presented a copy of the Thames Embankment Return (No. 276.)

36. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the Thames Embankment, North, Roadway Bill that the amendments made by the House of Lords having been agreed to by the House of Commons last evening, the Bill practically only awaited the Royal Assent.

37. The Solicitor reported that the following notices of motion had been given—

Mr. William Henry Smith—To ask the First Commissioner of Works if he will consent, pending the decision of the Government upon the plans for the appropriation of the site for the New Law Courts, to open a temporary thoroughfare for foot passengers from Carey-street to the Strand, over the ground which has been cleared for the proposed Palace of Justice, in lieu of the thoroughfares which have been closed under the authority of the Courts of Justice Building Sites Act.

Mr. James Lowther—On motion for going into Committee on the Suburban Commons Bill to move—That this House will, upon this day three months, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. George Gregory—In Committee on Suburban Commons Bill—

Clause 4 at end add, "Provided that (except as regards the prohibition of inclosures) this Act shall not extend or apply to any Common regulated by Special Act of Parliament passed previously to this Act."

38. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the next meeting of the Board, to affix the Seal to petitions to Parliament, on behalf of the Board, against Bills.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorised to affix the Seal of the Board to any petitions against Bills, on behalf of the Board, which it may become necessary to present to Parliament before the next meeting.

39. The Solicitor reported that the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Bill awaited second reading in the House of Lords.

40. The Solicitor reported that the Thames Navigation Bill was now being proceeded with in the House of Lords.

41. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the proceedings in the matter of the claim of the Duke of Buccleuch against the Board in respect of alleged damage to his property by the works of the Thames Embankment, that he had received the sum of £11,000 out of Court, and had handed it to the Accountant of the Board.

42. The Solicitor reported that the Poor Relief (Metropolis) Bill and the Railways (Powers and Construction) Bill received the Royal Assent on Monday last, but that he was unable to obtain a print of the Acts at present.

43. The Solicitor presented copies of the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Bill and the Great Eastern Railway (Metropolitan Railways) Bill, as they received the Royal Assent on Monday last.

44. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following documents for sealing—

Contract by Mr. J. F. Meston for the laying out of the ornamental portion of the Thames Embankment, North.

Assignment by Mr. Timothy Bridges to the Board of the premises, No. 8, Stingo-lane (west side).

Duplicate conveyance by Mr. John Cook to the Board, of land in the parish of Plumstead, Kent, required for the purposes of the new roadway to the Crossness Pumping Station.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said contract, assignment, and duplicate conveyance, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

45. The Solicitor stated that he had prepared reports on the following subjects, and suggested that they should both be referred to the Building Act Committee, with power to carry out any resolution at which they might arrive with regard thereto—

Report relative to the erection of a building, and boards for advertisements, adjoining the Victoria Station of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, beyond the general line of buildings.

Report on a communication from the Vestry of Newington, relative to buildings in course of erection by Messrs. Sutton and Dudley in Little Park-place, Newington.

Resolved—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be acted upon, and that the matters be referred to the Building Act Committee, with power to act, accordingly.

46. The Solicitor called attention to a Bill which had been introduced into the House of Commons for effecting an alteration in the existing stamp laws, and stated that the Bill contained provisions with regard to the stamp duty on appraisements, which might affect the operations of the Board in that direction.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with power to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

47. Islington—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace Field, on behalf of Messrs. Pakeman and Mrs. Enkel, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the continuation of Hertslet-road and Annette-road, and the formation of three new roads on an estate situate at the junction of Hornsey and Seven Sisters'-roads, for the lines for frontage of buildings to be erected in the proposed road next Hornsey Road, and to the names "Mayton," "Roden," and "Pakeman" streets being applied to such new roads.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the space in front of the proposed houses in Hornsey-road be given up to the public previously to the commencement of building operations and be paved by the Vestry, and that no barriers or obstructions to the public traffic through Hertslet and Annette-roads be at any time created or permitted.

48. Bermondsey—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Newman and Billing, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building on the forecourt of the "Northumberland Arms" public house, at the corner of Blue Anchor-road and Rouel-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

49. Camberwell—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on the application of Mrs. Rebecca James, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop addition, one storey in height, in front of the "Red Lion" beer house, Clifton-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

50. Fulham—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Taylor and Pitts, on behalf of Messrs. Stansfield, for the consent of the Board to a proposed alteration in the line of frontage of the portion of the "Old Rose" beer house, about to be re-erected in Sands End-lane, King's-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

51. Hackney—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Tarring, requesting permission to deviate slightly from the lines of frontage sanctioned by the Board on the 22nd April last (No. 23), for a proposed Presbyterian Church at the corner of Downs Park-road and Cricket Field-road, by bringing forward some buttresses, a porch, and other portions of the building.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be granted.

52. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Edward Gooding, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop, one storey in height, in front of a house in course of erection in Cowdrey-street, Park-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

53. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Wigginton, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of a new church proposed to be erected in Gore-road, Victoria Park-road, South Hackney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Runtz—That the application be not granted.

54. Hampstead.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the amended application of Mr. W. Tasker, on behalf of Mr. W. R. Williams, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-storey building on a portion of the forecourt of the house, No. 41, Finchley New-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

55. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. M. H. Allchin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron and glass covered way in front of his house, No. 4, Pembridge-villas, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

56. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. H. Lovett, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for two houses about to be erected on the east-side of Portland-road, Notting-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

57. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. L. Meagher, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a green-house and seed shop at Gipsy-hill Nursery, Norwood, to the line of frontage shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

58. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. W. Laws, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for three houses and shops about to be erected adjoining the "Old White Horse," Tavern, Brixton Rise, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the space in front of the shops be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry, that the main or upper frontage of the proposed buildings be kept back to the blue line drawn on the plan; that the shops erected in front of such line be limited to one storey and 16 feet in height, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Isaac Durke and Messrs. Rowe and Verran, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage proposed for four private houses, with projecting bays, at the corner of Lambert and Brixton-roads, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

60. Newington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Harvey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three shops in front of the house, No. 46, Camberwell-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. C. Stuart Barker, seconded by Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

61. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Bradley, on behalf of Mr. G. F. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the premises, No. 82, Chalk Farm-road, to front into Crogsland-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Healey—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed building be limited to one storey, and do not exceed 15 feet, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect dated 24th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Bradley, on behalf of Mr. E. Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop and dwelling-house on the south side of Crogsland-road, Haverstock-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Healey—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

63. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Richardson and Waghorn, on behalf of Messrs. Anderson and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one-storey shops in Camden-road, on part of the site of Bayham Wharf, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Healey—That the application be not granted.

64. St. Pancras.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. William Challis, for the consent of the Board to his bringing forward to the line of the present forecourts, and converting into shops, the five dwelling houses, Nos. 33 to 37, Ferdinand-street, Chalk Farm-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Healey—That the application be granted, on condition that the shops be brought out to a distance of 10 feet from the present kerb of the footway, that the space between such line and the present footway be given up to the public, previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry; that the angles of the two corner shops be splayed to measure not less than 5 feet on the splay, that the vacant space in front thereof be similarly given up and paved, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

65. Hackney.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. M. Dabbs, for approval by the Board of a conservatory, &c., in course of erection at Mount Pleasant Lodge, Mount Pleasant-lane, Upper Clapton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

66. Lambeth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. Kent, on behalf of Mr. C. B. Sweeney, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a temporary iron chapel at Lower Norwood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the structure be removed by the applicant, at his own expense, within twelve months from this date.

67. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, on the application of Messrs. Francis Morton and Co., Limited, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron church at Forest Hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the structure be removed by the applicants, at their own expense, within three years from this date.

68. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. George Amer, on behalf of Mr. Parker, for the consent of the Board to the construction of a conservatory at Meadow-croft, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lloyd—That the application be granted.

69. Lewisham.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. John Burchell, for approval by the Board of a bressummer and window-frame being flush with the external wall of a summer-house in course of erection at Kilne House, Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be not granted.

70. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1870, on the further amended application of Mr. E. Parsons, on behalf of Mr. Webb, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron verandah at the rear of the house, No. 10, Wimbledon Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the work be executed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

71. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Thomas Stone, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an open shed at Messrs. Field's Factory, Wellington-road, Battersea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

72. Chelsea.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1870, on a further application by Mr. G. J. Lough, requesting the Board to modify the condition imposed by their Order of the 3rd instant (No. 61), relative to giving up to the public, at once, the surplus land in front of certain proposed buildings at Cook's Ground, Chelsea, so far as relates to the plot of ground coloured yellow on the Plan accompanying the application; stating that, in consequence of the ground in question being in the possession of another owner, the applicant was, at present, unable to comply with the Order, and suggesting that the difficulty might be removed by requiring the ground to be given up previously to any buildings being erected in the rear thereof.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, and that the Order of the Board of the 3rd instant (No. 61), be modified accordingly.

73. Greenwich.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. J. C. Harris, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of a house proposed to be erected at South-crescent, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

74. Kensington.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Charles Aldin, for the consent of the Board to the formation of a road to lead out of Old Brompton-road, and a mews on the Eagle Lodge Estate, in the rear of Brompton-cottage, Brompton, and to the names "Roland-gardens" and "Alveston-mews" being applied to the same, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that Thistle Grove-lane, from A to B on Plan, be widened to 20 feet from its present centre; that the short roadway, from C to D on Plan, be widened to 40 feet; and that all barriers and obstructions to free public carriage traffic be removed.

75. Wandsworth.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, on the application of Mr. W. E. Newton, for the consent of the Board to the formation of two roads, and the construction of houses of concrete, on land adjoining the Greyhound-lane Station, Streatham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be not granted.

76. LAMBETH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on an anonymous application for the re-numbering of the houses and the abolition of the subsidiary names in Dulwich-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

77. STRAND.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. H. Gaze, for the re-numbering of the houses in the Strand, east of Somerset House.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

78. WANDSWORTH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for the re-numbering of the houses in Grove-road, Battersea.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act Committee, for consideration and report.

79. WANDSWORTH—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. C. H. Rew, for the consent of the Board to the name "Lothair-street" being applied to a new street to lead out of Grant-road, Battersea.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

80. ST. LUKE, OLD STREET.—Read a communication from Mr. H. J. Hammon, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, &c., dated 18th June, 1870, notifying that certain works were about to be executed at the premises, Nos. 1 and 2, Cross-street, and 30, Finsbury-place, and at the rear of No. 32, Finsbury-place, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works. Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—**Whereas** Mr. H. J. Hammon, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, &c., did, on the 18th of June, 1870, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain works at the premises, Nos. 1 and 2, Cross-street, and 30, Finsbury-place, and in the erection of a new warehouse at the rear of No. 32, Finsbury-place, within the District aforesaid; and the said H. J. Hammon has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the Northern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edmund Woodthorpe is hereby appointed to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

81. ST. MARYLEBONE—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th June, 1870, on the application of Mr. Alexander Peebles, District Surveyor of North Saint Marylebone, for the permission of the Board to remove his district office from No. 1 B, Circus Road, St. John's Wood, to No. 49, Wellington Road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted.

82. GREENWICH.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd June, 1870, stating that Mr. Benjamin Tabberer, the District Surveyor for Greenwich, proposed to have an office temporarily at Lawn House, Greenwich-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Thompson—That the situation of the proposed temporary office be approved.

83. ISLINGTON.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th May, 1870, on the application of Mr. Horace Field, on behalf of Mr. John Crossley, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road to lead from Liverpool-road to Westbourne-road East, Holloway, for the proposed lines of frontage to the same, and for proposed shops in Liverpool-road, and to the name "Crossley-street" being applied to the new street.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Fowler—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage in Liverpool-road be kept to a line drawn from the angle of the "Adam

and Eve," public-house to a point next the schools, distant 15 feet from the kerb, and as shown by a red line on the Plan; that no shops be erected in front of such line, but that the space between it and the footway be given up for the public use previously to the commencement of building operations, and be paved by the Vestry; that Westbourne-road East be widened throughout by erecting the flank-wall of the corner shop in Liverpool-road at a distance of 20 feet from the centre of the road at its entrance from Liverpool-road, and continuing the boundary of such road by a direct line extending from the front angle of the corner shop so defined to the line of forecourt of the house, No. 7, Hide's-terrace, also shown by a red line on the Plan; that all the ground beyond such described line be given up to the public; and that the angle of the corner shop next Westbourne-road East be splayed 6 feet.

84. St. Luke, Middlesex.—Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st June, 1870, on the application of Mr. A. B. Frend, for approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the premises, No. 34, Wharf-road, City-road Basin.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the fire-brick lining be constructed independently, and not as a portion of the thickness of the brickwork of the shaft; and that the foundations be prepared, and the superstructure erected, in accordance with the requirements of the Building Act, and to the entire satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

85. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. F. A. Paget, dated 10th June, 1870, transmitting a copy of questions to be asked at the Camberwell Vestry, having reference to his Report on the economy of road making and maintenance by steam rolling machines, and urging the Board to send a copy of his Report to each Vestryman of the Metropolis, and a sufficient number of copies for each of the members of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Resolved—That Mr. Paget be informed that the Board regret they are unable to comply with his request.

86. The Clerk presented a letter from the Vestry of Chelsea, dated 17th June, 1870, thanking the Board for the steps which they had taken in the matter of the proposed improvement of the Canal Bridge in Plough-lane, Kensal-green, and expressing a hope that, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, the Board would take the subject in hand, inviting contributions, should they see fit, from the parishes to be benefitted.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

87. The Clerk presented a letter from the Vestry of Islington, dated 18th June, 1870, stating that they proposed effecting an improvement by widening a portion of the road and foot-path of Upper-street, Islington, at an estimated cost of £230, and requesting the Board to contribute one-half of such outlay.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

88. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. Burnett, Assistant Clerk to the Plumstead District Board, dated 20th June, 1870, transmitting a copy of a resolution of that Board approving of the resolutions passed at a meeting of the joint Committee of the Boards of Greenwich, Lewisham, and Plumstead, with reference to the preservation, &c., of Blackheath, and the propositions of the Earl of Dartmouth, with respect thereto.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, for consideration, in connexion with the subject to which it relates.

89. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. E. Cooper, late Assistant Engineer, dated 17th June, 1870, stating that, during the current quarter, his time had been much occupied in measuring up, and settling with the Engineer various outstanding accounts on contracts, and attending meetings in the arbitration case of Ritson *v.* the Board, and requesting that, as there were several other matters still requiring his attention, his full salary might be paid to him to the Midsummer quarter of this year.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fowler—That the said letter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

90. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. W. P. Andrews, Assistant Clerk in the Clerk's Department, dated 21st June, 1870, applying for permission to take a portion of his annual holiday at the present time, in consequence of serious illness in his family.

The Clerk stated that the Chairman had given Mr. Andrews the permission he applied for.

Resolved—That the course taken by the Chairman be approved.

91 The Clerk presented a letter from the Rev. W. Tyler, dated 21st June, 1870, requesting the Board to improve the communication between Mile End New Town and Whitechapel-road, by widening Bakers'-row.

Resolved—That the further consideration of the said letter be adjourned until some further communication shall have been received on the subject.

92. The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. H. Philpot, dated 4th June, 1870, forwarding copies of Reports and Plans relating to the New Law Courts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the thanks of the Board be conveyed to Mr. Philpot for the copies of the said Reports, Plans, &c.

93. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Order of the Board of the 3rd instant (No. 5), for the re-naming and re-numbering of Church-street, &c., Paddington, together with copies o the Plan referred to in such Order, or so much of the Plan as was necessary for the guidance of the local authorities in carrying out such Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders, and Plans respectively, and that the same be transmitted to the Vestries of St. Marylebone and Paddington; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

94. The Board considered as to the appointment of the several Committees for the ensuing year.

It was then moved by Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Finance Committee, viz.—

Beven, T., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq., Deputy.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Lloyd, J. R., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.

The motion having been put to the vote was carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Fire Brigade Committee, viz.—

Clark, W., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Building Act Committee, viz.—

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Dodd, H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Elt, C. H., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Gibbons, S. J. Esq., Ald.	Taylor, S., Esq.
Cook, E R., Esq.	Hogg, Col. J. M.	Tite, Sir W., M.P.

With regard to the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, it was at first deter-

mined by the Board that it should consist of the same Members who had constituted the Committee during the past year. Subsequently, however, Mr. Hows expressed his desire to be relieved from the duties of this Committee, and it was thereupon **moved** by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That Mr. Lloyd be appointed on the Committee in the place of Mr. Hows.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. White, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That Mr. Freeman's name be substituted for that of Mr. Hows.

Mr. Lloyd having requested that he might not be put in nomination as a Member of the Committee, the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The **amendment** was then put as an **original motion**, and carried, and it was thereupon—

Resolved—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Parks, Commons, and Open Spaces Committee, viz.—

Collinson, E., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Taylor, S., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Deputy Henry Lowman Taylor—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Parliamentary Committee, viz.—

Bidgood, H., Esq.	Gibbons, S. J., Esq., Ald.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Elt, C. H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Taylor, S., Esq.
Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Turner, T., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.

and such other Members of the Board as may be Members of Parliament,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Cattle Plague Committee, viz.—

Collinson, E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Taylor, R., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.	

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Healey—That the Works and General Purposes Committee be a Committee of the whole Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the Appeal Committee be a Committee of the whole Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the following Members of the Board be appointed on the Ventilation of Sewers Committee, viz.—

Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	

95. It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Newton—"That all "accounts for works performed under the superintendence of the Engineer, or under Jobbing "Contracts, be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, for authentication, "previously to their being submitted to the Finance Committee for payment."

After discussion, the **motion** was put to the vote and declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted the names of the Members were taken down when there were—

For the Motion—9.		Against the Motion—14.	
Barker, C. Stuart, Esq.	Rogers, E. Dresser, Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.	Meaden, G. P., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw A. N., Esq.	Fowler, F. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Newton, W., Esq.		Freeman, R., Esq.	Runtz, J., Esq.
Roche, C. M., Esq.		Hall, J. O., Esq.	Thompson, E. J., Esq.
		Harris, C., Esq.	White, T. J., Esq.
		Lloyd, J. R., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Legg.		Teller—Mr. Dalton.	

96. Mr. Dresser Rogers, by leave of the Board, withdrew the motion of which he had given notice, as to appointing a Sub-Committee to report on any proposed improvement in the Metropolis, &c.

97. **Resolved**—That the consideration of the following motions by Mr. Dresser Rogers, notice of which is inserted in the Paper of Business for this day, be adjourned until the meeting of the Board on Friday next, and that they be taken at two o'clock on that day.

"That the Finance Committee have remitted to them the general superintendence of all "questions affecting the conduct, attendance, &c., of the several Clerks and Employés of the Board, "and also the general supervision of the state of repair of the premises of the Board, the "furniture, &c."

"That upon the appointment of Committees for the year ensuing, to move that a Committee of "fifteen Members be appointed to be called the Gas, Water, and Petroleum Acts Committee, to "whom shall be remitted all matters pertaining to the operations of any Acts of Parliament "relating to the supply of Gas and Water to the Metropolis, and also as to the regulations "for the sale and storage of Petroleum, or any other explosive material in the district over "which the Board has jurisdiction."

98. Read a Report as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W., 14th June, 1870.

Thames Embankment Fencing, opposite Crown Lands.

I have received a reply to my letter to Mr. Gore, in which he declines to accede to the suggestion of the Parks, &c., Committee to substitute a cast-iron fence in lieu of temporary wooden palisade in the Whitehall Place Extension roadway. I recommend, therefore, that this fencing be at once put in hand by Mr. Webster, in accordance with Mr. Gore's requirements, and also the stone plinth and wooden palisade which he requires to be erected in continuation of the fence wall in front of Privy Gardens, and the partition wooden palisade between the lands belonging to the Crown and this Board. The cost of the work would be about £1,400. In my Report to the Parks, &c., Committee of the 27th April last, I recommend that the balustrade fence and other works required to be done in front of Somerset House, in accordance with the requirements of the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., be at once put in hand, but this part of the Report does not appear to have been dealt with. As time is now getting short, I recommend that Mr. Webster put this work in hand without delay.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Works and General Purposes Committee, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with regard thereto.

99. The Chairman stated that a Bill had been filed in Chancery, by Mr. Telford, to restrain the Board from selling, or building on, any portion of Tooting Bec Common.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do appear, on behalf of the Board, against the Bill, and take all necessary measures to protect the interests of the Board, and resist the granting of an injunction.

100. The following **Notices** were given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Shaw (No. 536)—To ask the Accountant as to accounts of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company; and (No. 537)—To ask the Solicitor as to deposit of £25,000 by that Company.

Adjourned until Friday, the 1st July next, at this Office, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

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